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...eyland chief's gamble wins pledge of ...upport by employees

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Michael Edwardes, ... Leyland chairman, ...y made a calculated ... to win the support of ...employees for his last-...reorganization of the ...roup and he succeeded. ...e end of the toughest ...ever made by a British ...ndustry leader 650 shop ...s and managers ...ed for half a minute, ...then that Mr Edwardes ...his trump card. He ...e meeting in a Leam...notel ballroom to vote ...seven-point resolution ...its full support for ...pect of his new plans, ...t which have not yet ...elt out. Only five hands ...ised against him.

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...Edwardes said the ...vehicles lost last year ...with very bad quality ...the whole business at ...

...if we have no disrup... the rest of 1978, our loss of market share everywhere in the world means that we will not be able to sell more than 819,000 vehicles—and that is assuming a 27 per cent share of the United Kingdom market, whereas we look like getting only 21 per cent in January."

There were no major surprises in the plans he outlined. Most of them have been reported in recent weeks.

A new company to be called British Leyland Cars Ltd would be formed as an umbrella organization to own the assets and be the employing company for all car operations. It would control three subsidiary companies: Austin Morris Ltd, for volume cars, Jaguar Rover Triumph for specialist cars, and BL Components covering parts, foundry, SU/Butec and body operations.

The car companies would resume responsibility for all their exports.

Mr Edwardes said it had been decided to retain a central cars authority because of strong and logical representations by employees for a central unit as a focus for employee relations policies.

It would "be wrong and senseless" to throw away seven years work on common bargaining dates and wage policies throughout the car factories.

Long-term product planning and advanced engineering—those projects between five and 15 years away—would also be central activities. A task force chaired by Mr Spen King, director of engineering, would be asked to recommend the most effective organization for a Product Engineering Division.

These central disciplines did not exist before. Mr Edwardes continued, but as General Motors had proved over many years of successfully merging Chevrolet Buick, etc, in the United States, they were an essential part of a decentralized organization.

Austin Morris would have major assembly facilities at Longbridge, Cowley and Abingdon as well as power train and transmission factories.

Jaguar Rover Triumph would include assembly facilities at Jaguar Coventry, Rover Solihull, Triumph at Canley and Liverpool and Vanden Plas in North London.

A separate subsidiary company to be called Land Rover Ltd would also be established to develop four-wheel drive business.

Mr Edwardes revealed that on Friday he would outline these plans to a meeting of Leyland's 2,000 car distributors and dealers in Wembley conference centre.

B. L. Components Ltd would also bring together all the United Kingdom body operations sited at Cowley, Swindon, Llanelli, Liverpool, Castle Bromwich and Dunstable.

The managing director-designate for the new Austin Morris company would be Mr Ray Horrocks, 47, a former Ford and Eaton executive.

Reaffirming his intention to press ahead with a Super Mini development of the ADO88, he said a crash programme would also be needed to update existing models while a completely new middle-range car (LC10) was introduced at Cowley.

He added that the managing director-designate for Jaguar Rover Triumph would be named on Friday. He was a senior motor industry executive with considerable marketing experience in Japan and the United States—both areas where JRT would be making a bid.

Leyland Truck and Bus will be known as Leyland Vehicles Ltd, and resume responsibility for its exports. With the loss of its export role to the new companies, Leyland International will have a much reduced task under the new title of BL International.

Special Products, which includes such fringe operations as Prestcold, Coventry-Climax, Alvis and Aveling-Barford will become SP Industries Ltd.

British Leyland has recalled about 181,500 of its cars sold in the United States over the last eight years because of an assortment of defects (Frank Vogl writes). The recall follows investigations into the safety of many of its products by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The defects, which are said to include lighting failures and possible fuel pump and fuel tank leaks, involve Triumph, Jaguar and Austin models.

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No Downing Street 'conspiracy' with Buckingham Palace over timing of resignation

Sir Harold Wilson denies allegations in 'Pencourt File'

By George Clark

Sir Harold Wilson yesterday denounced the story related in the book *The Pencourt File* to the effect that he timed the announcement of his resignation as Prime Minister to distract attention from the announcement of Princess Margaret's separation.

The book, by two former BBC journalists, Barrie Penrose and Roger Courtiour, is being serialized in the *Daily Mirror*. The authors based themselves on conversations they had with Lady Falkender, formerly Mrs Marcia Williams, Sir Harold's political and private secretary, who has issued her own denial.

Sir Harold, in the first interview he has given to a newspaper since the serial story began on Monday, said: "It purports to outline a conspiracy between Buckingham Palace and Downing Street to enable announcements about Princess Margaret to coincide with the announcement of my forthcoming resignation.

"While the Palace was fully informed over a long period of my intention to resign, the discussions never once referred to impending events in the Royal Family.

"Conversations between the Sovereign and the Prime Minister in audiences and at other times are confidential, but in view of these allegations I must make it clear that at no time in my near eight years as Prime Minister have there been any discussions about the Royal Family, except matters of state, such as the arrangements for the investiture of the Prince of Wales.

"At no point throughout this period did I or anyone else discuss these matters with Lady Falkender."

Sir Harold said he wanted to correct the impression given by the two authors that they were humble journalists surprised at suddenly receiving an invitation to drinks at his home, where he poured out all his feelings about South Africa and the treatment of Mr Jeremy Thorpe, the former Liberal leader.

He explained: "About a month after leaving 10 Downing Street, Mr Albert Murray (now Lord Murray of Gravesend), who was in charge of my office in Abbey Gardens, received a number of telephone calls from the BBC asking me if I would see two researchers of theirs, Mr Penrose and Mr Courtiour, who has been assigned to go into the whole question of South African interference in British politics, particularly the Liberals, because I had made statements in Parliament and elsewhere on these matters.

"I was very busy writing a book against a deadline and preparing a speech on Eurocommunism which I was due to make in Halifax on May 8, 1978.

"Early the following week I received a note from Albert Murray asking me to see them. At all times it was made clear that this was an official BBC request, and I agreed to see them.

"The account of how the meeting came about begins with a story about a wood pigeon fluttering in a suburban garden which Penrose thought of shooting.

"Then there was a telephone call, he claims from me, asking them to come to have drinks with me. Penrose expressed

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Cardinal Hume's pathway to full unity

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs Correspondent

Saying that he felt he could be blunt among friends, Cardinal Hume told the General Synod of the Church of England yesterday that full communion between churches depended on a common faith in general.

"We recognize that there are other questions to be resolved before we can, as churches, approach the altar of the Lord together," he said.

That was his reply to the suggestion by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Coggan, last week that the time had come for Anglicans and Roman Catholics to share Communion services.

The cardinal, rapturously welcomed by a packed synod and public gallery in Church House, Westminster, did not condemn individual acts of intercommunion, and his emphasis was on churches sharing in communion as bodies.

"The Roman Catholic Church holds, as you know, that for one church to share in Holy Communion at the altar of another church is the sign and expression of that full unity which the Eucharist of its nature signifies, and should not be regarded as a means to be used to lead to full ecclesial communion", Cardinal Hume explained.

"We believe that this sharing presupposes not only the same belief in the reality of Christ's presence in the sacred species, but also a common faith in general.

"I do not question for one moment that the desire of so many to share the same Eucharist is anything but a gift from God, a gift which impels us now to work all the harder for the resolution of our difficulties. This desire is present in every Christian church and community throughout the land."

Cardinal Hume was received with full honours and spoke from the position usually occupied by the synod chairman. Applause was prolonged and, led by the House of Bishops, the entire synod rose when he had finished.

In thanking him, the Archbishop of York, Dr Blanch, said:

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A Hamburg chemist tests the peel of an Israeli orange.

Warning on poisoned oranges

By Hugh Clayton
Agricultural Correspondent

The Department of Health and Social Security issued a warning about poisoned oranges last night after Israeli fruit injected with mercury had been found in the Netherlands and West Germany.

An organization calling itself the Arab Revolutionary Army Palestine Command said in a letter received by Reuter in London that "oppressed Palestinian workers" in Israeli-occupied territories had injected oranges with mercury, a metal which remains liquid at normal temperatures.

The letter said that copies had been sent to 18 countries, including Kuwait and Saudi Arabia. It added: "Our aim is not indiscriminately to kill your population but to sabotage the Israeli economy."

Citrus fruit accounts for a tenth of Israeli export revenue and Britain and Ireland together make up the largest export market for it. More than 700 million Israeli oranges, all stamped Jaffa, are due to be sent to Britain this year and the season is reaching its height. Israel supplies more than half of all oranges eaten in Britain and they are now arriving at a rate of more than three million a week.

The Department of Health and Social Security advised shoppers to split all Jaffa oranges before eating and to report any with small metallic droplets in the flesh.

No poisoned oranges had been found in Britain, the Department said. It saw no reason to advise against purchase because small amounts of mercury were not a threat to health. "The authorities are keeping a close watch", it said.

It is understood that the mercury found in oranges in the Netherlands was in a non-toxic state, like that used in thermometers.

The Citrus Marketing Board of Israel said that the oranges must have been injected in Europe because mercury added in Israel would have made the flesh discolour in the week-long journey to Europe.

Mr Moshe Deutsch, head of the board's office in London, said that the 14 poisoned oranges found so far had been detected outside Britain and all Israeli oranges for sale in Britain were sent direct. The letter claiming responsibility which reached Reuter was postmarked in Stuttgart.

Five Dutch children who ate contaminated oranges in Maastricht were discharged from hospital after 24 hours with no ill effects. The West German Government began spot checks after one fruit with mercury had been found in Frankfurt and one in Darmstadt. The authorities in West Berlin and Hamburg decided to carry out laboratory tests on Israeli oranges.

Governing council for Rhodesia proposed

Valletta, Feb 1.—Rhodesian nationalist guerrilla leaders said today that Britain and the United States had accepted new proposals for a switch to black rule and called for a partnership with Britain to lead to legal independence for Rhodesia.

But Mr Robert Mugabe and Mr Joshua Nkomo made clear at a press conference after three days of talks with British and American negotiators that the discussions were still at an inconclusive stage.

In a joint statement read to reporters they said: "The British Government accepted that there should be a governing council during the transitional period." The idea of a governing council has not previously been publicly mentioned in Anglo-American peace efforts and appeared to be the only sign of a new development at the Malta negotiations.

Mr Mugabe said the Patriotic Front, of which he is co-leader with Mr Nkomo, foresaw itself playing a substantial role and the British a supervisory role in "a kind of partnership" leading to legal independence. But he made clear that the Patriotic Front guerrillas must "guarantee the irreversibility" of a transition period leading to free elections and majority rule.

Mr Nkomo and Mr Mugabe both said they would accept the outcome of such elections which would be independently observed and supervised.

Mr Mugabe said the discussions here with Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr Andrew Young, of the United States, "have managed to lay a very useful basis for further negotiations".—Reuter.

David Spanier, Diplomatic Correspondent, writes: No agreement was reached by Dr Owen and Mr Young with the Patriotic Front leaders when the talks ended today.

Although the central disagreement was over the balance of power, military and political, before independence, the whole range of issues involved in a settlement in Rhodesia was vigorously discussed, and few international meetings can have been so intensely dialectical.

The argument is expected to be resumed shortly, probably in Africa, where Nairobi has been mentioned as a possible venue. Our Salisbury Correspondent writes: Bishop Abel Muzorewa, the moderate Rhodesian African leader, resumed discussions today with the three other delegations at the internal settlement talks. But he is refusing to budge from his stance of last week that he would only accept 20 parliamentary seats for whites elected on a separate voters roll under a majority rule constitution.

Site sought for new SE airport

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

The Government is soon to begin searching for a site for a new London airport for the 1990s, by which time the four airports serving the capital will be full.

That emerged from the publication yesterday of a White Paper on national policy for future airports.

Opinion in the aviation industry last night was that Stansted or a military airfield was the most likely option.

The Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign expressed disappointment that Gatwick was to have a second terminal and deal with 25 million passengers a year.

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Arrest order for absent Mr Polanski

Roman Polanski, the film director, was believed to be in London yesterday after boarding an airliner shortly before an American court was due to sentence him for having illegal sexual intercourse with a girl of 13.

British Airways officials in London said that Mr Polanski arrived at Los Angeles airport without a reservation on the only flight to London. He waited at the standby desk and was eventually given the last seat on the airliner. He travelled first class, under his own name.

Santa Monica, California, Feb 1.—A warrant was issued for Mr Polanski's arrest after he failed to arrive at the court here. Mr Polanski, who is 44, pleaded guilty last September and had been having psychiatric tests before being sentenced.

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...sing a Conservative ...conference at Surbi...ey, he said priority ...e given instead to a ... the system of local-...nt in the province. His ... was welcomed by ...ionist MPs. Mr Neave ...s to the Irish Govern...power-sharing admini... Northern Ireland is ... practical politics. We ...ys said it could not ...ed. All our efforts ... be concentrated on ... the structure of local ...t in the province, ... its present form has ...win the full-hearted ...f the community.

...on on important issues ...o health, education, ...ter and planning are ... by statutory boards, ... the nominees of a ...overnment are always in a majority. This is deeply offensive to a community which has no time at all for socialism.

"A new system of local government is needed for the benefit of all sections of the community. It would diminish the power of the Northern Ireland Office and its legion of civil servants. It could also foster a better understanding between the various political parties, who would at last have an opportunity of doing constructive work again on behalf of the community.

"There are some in Northern Ireland who oppose the reform of local government out of a fear that it might lead to discrimination and injustice. They forget that over the last few years a great deal of legislation has been enacted to safeguard the rights of all Ulstermen, including the Catholic minority.

"I am sure those fears can be overcome and I shall be consulting the SDLP."

An indication of what some discern as a rapprochement between Tories and their former allies, the Unionists, will come today in the Commons.

A Unionist amendment seeking to delete the Government's proposal for proportional representation (PR) in Ulster for the European Assembly elections may well be carried with full Tory support and that of Labour MPs opposed to PR.

The Government has proposed the single transferable vote system for Ulster in order—although this is not stated—to ensure that at least one of the three European Assembly MPs from Ulster will be a Roman Catholic.

The Conservatives hold that it is wrong not to elect all assembly MPs by the same method.

The contention that the Roman Catholics might be better helped through the simple majority, or first-past-the-post, system was made yesterday by Mr James Molyneaux, Ulster Unionist MP for Antrim, South.

He said the boundary commission could draw up a constituency that would make almost certain that the SDLP would get one seat, under the first-pass-the-post system.

Our Belfast Correspondent writes: There was a predictably mixed response in Northern Ireland to Mr Neave's declaration. A cautious welcome from Official Unionists was balanced by a total rejection by the SDLP and somewhat milder criticism by the Alliance Party.

Mr Harry West, leader of the Official Unionist Party, said: "We shall have to be careful in looking at what Mr Neave means by a new system of local government. Devolved government is something quite distinct from local government."

Sinn Fein man's baby son shot

The 21-month-old son of Kevin Hannaway, a Provisional Sinn Fein member, whose case was taken to the European Court of Human Rights by the Irish Government during torture accusations against Britain, was wounded when gunmen attacked the family's home in west Belfast last night.

The baby, who was struck in the face, arms and thigh, was in an intensive care unit last night.

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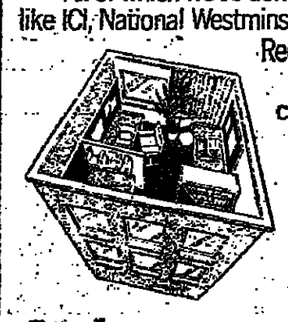
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Herr Leber resigns

Herr Georg Leber, the West German Defence Minister, who has been under attack for his handling of recent espionage and bugging cases, has offered to resign. He told a Cabinet meeting that Parliament had again been misled about the matter: new checks had disclosed more illegal activities by the military counter intelligence service Page 5

Electricity price rise

New tariff proposals for submission to the Price Commission are being completed by the Electricity Supply Boards in England and Wales. The proposals call for a price rise by an average of 5 to 6 per cent from April 1 Page 17

Scottish roads reopen

Snow-blocked Scottish railways and roads were being reopened yesterday but a helicopter tour of the Highlands left Mr Ewing, Under-Secretary of State for Scotland, horrified at conditions. Page 2

Campaign for 'Yes'

The Scottish Council of the Labour Party and the Scottish TUC are to hold rallies throughout Scotland in support of a "Yes" vote in the devolution referendum. But at Westminster the mood of MPs is thought to give the Government small prospect of repairing the Scotland Bill Page 3

Surprise Dayan trip

Mr Dayan, the Israeli Foreign Minister, is to make a surprise journey to America next week, hard on the heels of President Sadat's visit. Although officially he is making a fund-raising tour, he is expected to counter Mr Sadat's impact on American public opinion Page 6

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Tory call for all parties to 'drop the humbug' in immigration debate

By Fred Emery
Political Editor

Mr Callaghan's retort that no one should be deceived into thinking that closing loopholes in immigration meant that it was possible to "slam the door" was challenged yesterday by a Tory MP who said "it must be done and quickly".

Mr Eldon Griffiths, MP for Bury St Edmunds, delivered an incisive address to Young Conservatives in London just before the weekly Shadow Cabinet met to discuss this issue, among others.

It was understood that Mrs Thatcher and her colleagues conducted a post-mortem on the controversy she had aroused with her remarks of the prospect, under a Conservative government, of a "clear end" to immigration.

Several of Mrs Thatcher's colleagues feel that a more delicate touch to the issue would have been commendable, with greater emphasis on the party's commitment to equality.

But anger against Mrs Thatcher expressed by some younger Tory moderates is tightly overwhelmed by the support from the great majority of Tory MPs.

Yesterday Mr Whitelaw repeated his demand for government legislation on British nationality. His own emergent feeling is that a clear redefinition of status must be made.

His own commitments admit that passport-holders do not extend beyond those designated in East Africa.

Mr Callaghan's insistence that immigration could be ended only at the price of abandoned pledges came at Tuesday night's Republic Day dinner of the Indian Journalists' Association.

Mr Griffiths took up the banner, stating that nothing more illustrated Labour and Liberal double standards than their attack on the Conservative leader.

Those who branded the Tories as "racist" should never forget that Mr Callaghan, when Home Secretary, "quite rightly rushed through the legislation which retrospectively took away the rights of British passport-holders in East Africa.

"Mr Heath quite rightly did precisely the opposite in the case of the Uganda Asians. . . .

"The grass-roots reality is that far more Labour than Conservative voters feel threatened by the impact of large-scale immigration on their jobs, their lives, their homes.

Mr Griffiths accepted that the door he urged should be closed should not shut too tight. He did not want to exclude immediate relatives of those who came to Britain on the clear understanding that their wives and children could follow; nor to make it impossible to admit doctors, nurses and other skilled workers.

But he went on, arguably not meeting the point that this is the nub: "While accepting these modest exceptions, the gates have got to be shut to any and all further immigration that involves the admission of tens of thousands of new people, whatever their racial origins . . . above all the door must be closed to safeguard the position of those black and brown British citizens whose rights must be protected."

Mr Griffiths called for a Tory government race relations policy to be built on "four legs: equality before the law; closing of the door on immigration; economic revival to provide more jobs; and less humbug in relations with African states.

"It is the duty of the two great parliamentary parties to pull the rug out from under the sinister forces of the far left and the far right. The only way to achieve this is for men of good will in all parties to drop the humbug and openly face these questions."

By-election race test to be set by Indians

By Craig Seton

Parliamentary candidates in the forthcoming by-election at Redbridge, Ilford North, will be questioned in detail about immigration and race relations. Their views might play a big part in deciding the votes of nearly two thousand members of the Indian community.

The Confederation of Indian Organizations (UK), an umbrella organization said to represent 40,000 Indians, announced yesterday that it had asked the Labour, Conservative and Liberal candidates to endorse its manifesto and answer a questionnaire. The results will be circulated in the constituency, particularly to the Asian community.

Although the plan was formed before Mrs Thatcher's immigration speech, leaders of the confederation feel that their strategy, which they intend to use in a general election, now has additional importance.

They believe it will be a guide to the race issue in the election, particularly as Labour is defending a majority of fewer than 800 and that it will identify the main parties' views.

Candidates will be asked to agree or disagree with the confederation's view that immigration is almost at a standstill; that the commitment to United Kingdom passport-holders and dependants "is a finite one and must be honoured"; that delays in granting entry certificates must end and that "continued harassment of non-white students and visitors from the sub-continent must stop".

There are detailed questions on the law of British citizenship and nationality. Candidates will be asked whether they reject the idea of "two classes" of citizenship and agree that reform of the nationality law should be linked with a written constitution or a Bill of Rights permanently securing the status of British citizens.

The manifesto accuses the British people of "lace-curtain discrimination" and calls for clear government leadership in the face of such attitudes.

Candidates are asked to agree or disagree that United Kingdom citizens, through birth or descent, who have voluntarily settled in Rhodesia should be excluded from British citizenship.

Mr Tara Mukherjee, president of the confederation, said that if Mrs Thatcher wanted the confidence of the non-white community she should have made certain that her comments were not racially biased. The confederation welcomed an open debate on race relations, but the Conservative leader had made no mention of white immigration.

Mr Mukherjee said: "There are about 1,700 voting members of the Indian community in Ilford North. We shall not advise them how to vote, but we shall put all the information from the questionnaires before them and ask them to think twice before voting. We want our people to be more politically conscious."

MPs' mood offers little hope of repairing Scotland Bill

By Hugh Noyes
Parliamentary Correspondent
Westminster

As the Scotland Bill, battered and emasculated, completed its committee stage in the Commons last night after 14 lengthy sittings, most MPs will have seen it go with a sense of relief.

But there must be many on both sides of the House who are wondering whether there is much point in continuing with this unhappy exercise. Even more MPs must be concerned at the timetable procedure by which the devolution proposals have been forced through the House, with the guillotine permitting no consideration whatsoever of 61 of the 83 clauses in the Bill.

During the committee stage the Government suffered five defeats by which two clauses were removed from the Bill altogether and amendments were inserted elsewhere that have seriously reduced its chances of enactment. Under the guillotine the Government is expected to try to reverse or amend those defeats during the three days allotted to report and third reading, but unless there are considerable concessions the mood of the House indicates that ministers have little chance of succeeding.

As Mr Tam Dalyell, Labour MP for West Lothian and one of the bitterest opponents of devolution, has said, the Government had better get used to the fact that the defeats inflicted on it are likely to stay. Many MPs, he said, did not think that a decision by the Commons should be overturned lightly.

The first defeat for the Government, which deleted clause one, came on the first committee day on November 22. That clause stated the effect of the devolution legislation and said that its provisions "do not affect the unity of the United Kingdom, or the supreme authority of Parliament to make laws for the United Kingdom or any part of it". The aim is to be knocked out was clause 40, stating that "in exercising his powers, a Scottish Secretary shall have regard to such considerations of national pay policy as may be specifically brought to his attention by a minister of the Crown". That defeat, by one vote, took place on December 7.

But by far the most serious defeats came on January 25, when an alliance of Conservative and Labour opponents of devolution inserted a provision requiring "a minimum "Yes" vote in the referendum of two fifths of the total electorate. If that figure was not reached, and except on a high turn-out of the electorate it would be difficult to achieve, the Act would have to be repealed.

Even more serious was the defeat for the Government, on the same day, that allowed the Orkney and Shetland Islands the right to be separated from the rest of Scotland and to remain under Westminster if they should vote against devolution in the referendum.

If the islanders were to vote against devolution and it is expected that they would, that would destroy much of the economic argument for a Scottish regional government since more than three fifths of North Sea oil enters the United Kingdom through Orkney and Shetland.

Last night opponents of devolution were preparing their moves to block any attempts by the Government to improve the Bill's chances. One suggestion was that the Government would compromise by offering to repeal the Bill if less than a third of the electorate voted "yes" in the referendum.

Another of their anxieties is that the Government may try to pull a fast one by holding the referendum and the general election on the same day. That would make it difficult for Labour opponents of devolution to campaign against the Bill in Scotland. It would also improve the chances of a high referendum poll, since the electorate would be going to polling stations in any case to vote for their Westminster candidates.

With that in mind, Mr Dalyell was among the first to table a new clause last night for the report stage stating that if Parliament is dissolved before a referendum has been held, that referendum shall not be held until a period of three months has elapsed after the polling day of the ensuing general election".

The Bill is still expected to begin its passage through the Lords by Easter, although it is not yet known when the last three days in the Commons will be taken. The Government's intention is not to begin the even more controversial Wales Bill in committee until the Scotland Bill has completed its passage through the House.

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Irish Budget linked to pay restraint

From Our Own Correspondent
Dublin

Generous election promises that enabled Fianna Fail to win its landslide victory at the polls last June were honoured in the Irish Government's Budget yesterday.

Mr Colley, Minister for Finance, proposed widespread increases in tax allowances and social welfare benefits linked to a plan to hold down wages to 5 per cent this year.

About 7,000 farmers, brought into the tax net for the first time, made up the only section of the Irish Republic's population to be harshly affected in the give-away package that will increase the nation's borrowing requirement to a record of £821m or 13 per cent of national income. Wealth tax was abolished.

In a 90-minute speech to the Dail Mr Colley made clear that he would introduce a second Budget later in the year to claw back excessive increases if the unions exceeded the 5 per cent pay limit that still has to be agreed in national pay talks.

As promised in the party's manifesto, the income tax allowance for a single person was increased by £200 to £865 and the married allowance by £630 to £1,730. Several new programmes aimed at creating 22,000 more jobs were introduced.

With no excessive rises in incomes, Mr Colley forecast a fall in last year's 13½ per cent inflation rate to 7 per cent by the end of the year. Among those to benefit were thalidomide children and veterans of the Irish war of independence.

He maintained that yesterday's measures, combined with fulfilment of earlier election promises to scrap rates and car tax, would make the average Dublin worker about £10 a week better off. However, early trade union response to his proposals was cool.

Hopes of negotiations on Ulster ended for time being

From Christopher Walker
Belfast

It is considered unlikely that the British Government will launch any new political initiative in Northern Ireland before the next general election.

Any immediate hope of reviving the ill fated negotiations with Roman Catholic and Protestant leaders that collapsed last month has been abandoned, it is understood. Mr Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, is expected to make that clear to the House of Commons next week when he answers questions already tabled about the political future of the province.

He is also expected to tell MPs that the Government's long-term commitment to achieving a form of devolution acceptable to both religious communities remains.

Among both senior ministers and civil servants at Stormont Castle blame for the collapse of the latest attempt to reach some limited form of accommodation across the sectarian divide is laid at the door of Mr Lynch, the Irish Prime Minister.

Unlike members of the Dublin Cabinet, Mr Mason and his officials are known to have been convinced that the negotiations on partial devolution were poised for a breakthrough when Mr Lynch gave his radio interview advocating a British declaration of intent to withdraw from Ulster.

Senior British government sources are particularly annoyed at the claim made this week by Mr O'Kennedy, the Irish Minister for Foreign Affairs, that he had been aware of the imminent collapse of the Ulster talks in advance of Mr Lynch's interview. The claim is dismissed at Stormont as unfounded and mischievous.

Several other factors have accumulated to sour relations between Roman Catholic and Protestant politicians.

The most significant was the decision by the Roman Catholic Primate of Ireland, Mgr O Fiaich, to support publicly the call for Irish unity and a British declaration of intent to withdraw in an interview with *The Irish Press*, regarded as the most republican of Dublin's three daily newspapers.

Whatever his intention, the result was to convince Ulster Protestants ever more strongly of the existence of some kind of conspiracy to force them into a united Ireland.

Against such a background British officials are known to have advised the Government that any attempt to restart political negotiations would certainly fail.

In government circles it is reluctantly recognized that a considerable cooling-off period will have to elapse before any fresh attempt to bring together Roman Catholic and Protestant politians becomes feasible.

Court ruling brings a new firemen's strike nearer

By David Nicholson-Lord

The threat of a renewed strike by London's 6,400 firemen grew yesterday after a High Court judge had refused a temporary injunction to prevent the dismissal of six members of the brigade.

Leaders of the Fire Brigades Union, which sought the injunction, will be deciding today whether to appeal against the decision. But there are fears lest it should lead to tougher disciplinary action against firemen by other brigades.

A strike proposal will be discussed at an emergency meeting of the union's London regional committee tomorrow. The meeting was postponed from Tuesday at the request of the union's leadership until the result of the High Court hearing was known.

Mr Richard Foggie, assistant general secretary of the Fire Brigades Union, said last night that there was little doubt that there would be a strike by the London brigade if the union did not appeal against yesterday's ruling.

The injunction, sought against Mr Peter Darby, London's chief fire officer, and the Greater London Council, centred on six firemen who were convicted by magistrates of theft while working on other jobs during the national strike and were dismissed on their return to work.

The union contended that the GLC should have used the 1948 fire brigade code of discipline which allows for full pay during suspension and carries a right of appeal to the Home Secretary after two preliminary stages. The men have been suspended without pay under the GLC's staff code, which provides only for appeal to the fire brigades committee.

Talks between Mr Rees, the Home Secretary, local government employers and the two unions representing firemen were adjourned yesterday after 90 minutes.

Our Local Government Correspondent writes: Ratepayers would be horrified when they realized the cost of the settlement of the firemen's strike, a meeting of the Association of County Councils was told in London yesterday.

Mr Ian Coutts, leader of Norfolk County Council, said the cost would be 21-30 per cent. He was supported in his criticism by the representatives of several other county councils, which, with the metropolitan county authorities, including the Greater London Council, are the firemen's employers.

"I realize our negotiators were leant on by the Government, but to suggest that the settlement was within the 10 per cent pay policy is absolute nonsense", he said.

Mr Coutts called upon the negotiators to be much firmer.

Trebling of pay for foreign seamen urged in report

By Donald Macintyre
Labour Reporter

A gradual closing of the historic gap between the pay of overseas, mainly Asian, seamen on British-owned ships and that of seamen resident in the United Kingdom is proposed in a report published yesterday.

The Indian seaman's rate of £49 a month will be increased to £141 in five annual stages if the recommendations by a joint working party of Government, union and shipowner representatives is put into effect. The present rate for seamen based in the United Kingdom is £187 a month.

The report says 16,500 non-domiciled ratings, 70 per cent of whom come from India, Pakistan or Bangladesh, are employed in British ships. The figure is expected to decline to 14,000 by 1980.

The cost of the proposals is estimated at up to £29m over the five years. The National Union of Seamen has consistently campaigned against the different pay rates, on the ground that they created a pool of cheap labour.

The report proposes that annual increases of £20 a month should be paid for three years, after which there should be two annual increases of £16 a month.

The National Union of Seamen told the working party that a "long history of special treatment" had facilitated exemption from the 1968 and 1976 Race Relations Acts of British shipowners employing foreign-based seamen.

Report of the Working Group on the Employment of Non-domiciled Seafarers (Stationery Office, £1.75).

Joint church action urged on human rights and arms race

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said the synod appreciated not only his rank but his personal qualities. It was the first time the Church of England has extended such hospitality to a Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster, but the synod has never greeted a visiting speaker so warmly.

Cardinal Hume said the three Anglican-Roman Catholic agreed doctrinal statements, on the Eucharist, the ministry and authority, had followed logically from one another. Behind those lay a theology of the Church, which must be considered and completed.

Issues concerning the Eucharist and the ordained ministry would not be resolved until there was agreement on the nature of the church. That must include agreement on the *koinonia* or relationship of communions between the churches. Such a study must include historical origins and developments, besides theological principles from scripture and tradition.

The joint commission of the churches had talked of their coming together in stages. They must work out together what was involved in the growth of communion between churches seeking to overcome separation. It would not be enough to formulate theological concepts. "The corresponding reality must grow in practice. Only so will progress be made."

"We are already in partial communion with one another; we have not achieved full communion, which must be the ultimate aim of our work.

"We must resist any temptation to be insular, and must look to the church throughout the world.

"Last year Pope Paul spoke of his own understanding of the papal office as a particular form of service for the unity of the church. It is the very nature of Christ's Church and its unity, not an apprehensive consideration of possible and practical consequences of union that should first engage our minds, and our hearts."

He had earlier pointed to four areas of concern in which the two churches could take a united interest immediately. "The prophetic Christian voice" should be raised in the many contemporary situations that affronted human dignity.

It was easy to condemn the infringement of human rights in other countries, but "recent events would surely suggest that we in Britain must not be unduly complacent about our own record in this respect".

He urged enthusiastic and untiring work to alleviate racial tension.

He then echoed the concern expressed in the synod the previous day on child pornography.

The issue of disharmony and the arms race had not yet sufficiently stirred Christians to action, Cardinal Hume went on. "Surely we in all the Christian churches have a part to play in creating a climate for a different kind of world."

He hoped that the Church of England would listen to the views of other churches, particularly the Roman Catholic, Orthodox and Old Catholic churches, on the ordination of women.

He looked forward to the day when it would be normal practice for the Roman Catholic Church to consult other churches on such issues.

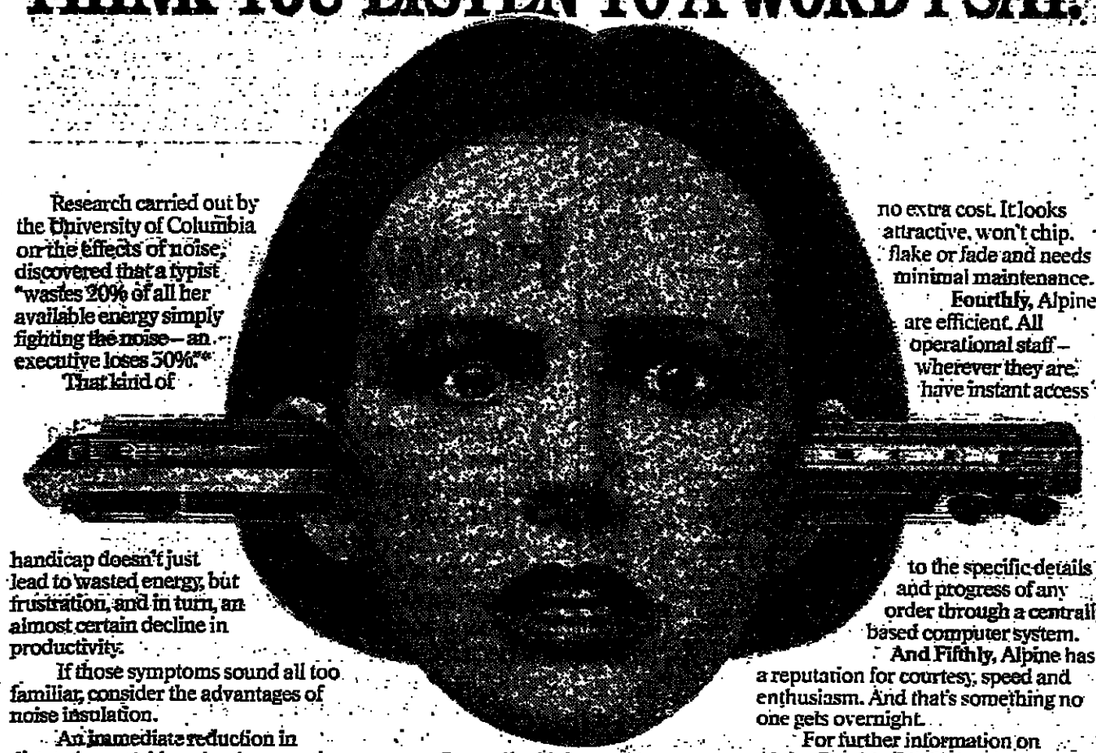
All churches in this country were moving towards closer collaboration at the local neighbourhood level, he said. Such collaboration must include Christians of every denomination in each place, "for it would be sad indeed if cooperation between two churches, even yours and mine, seemed to be in isolation from others. Our aim, if we seek to follow Christ's will, is not the reconciliation of two but the unity of all".

Child pornography: In a report yesterday of Tuesday's meeting a sentence, omitted for space reasons, would have made clear that the Bishop of Truro, the Right Rev Graham Leonard, did not think the board for social responsibility could give immediate support to a private member's Bill on child pornography while the Home Office was still considering how best to close an apparent loophole in the law. The report as published went on to say that the bishop considered the matter serious and urgent.

In the general synod yesterday the Bishop of Truro criticized the published report on the ground that it was misleading, as it did not contain a full summary of his remarks of the previous day.

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"SOMETIMES, MISS WARD, I DON'T THINK YOU LISTEN TO A WORD I SAY."



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Government will consider snow emergency help

Railways and roads blocked by snow were being reopened yesterday but Mr Ewing, Under-Secretary of State for Scotland, after flying by helicopter to inspect the areas worst affected, said he was absolutely horrified at conditions in the Highlands.

Mr Donald Henderson, Chief Constable of the Northern Constabulary, said: "As far as we are aware there is now no person missing."

Mr Ewing promised the Government would consider meeting the cost of rescue work and making good any damage. The Government was worried about starving livestock.

The Lake District National Park warden service said last night that thaw conditions had brought the risk of avalanches in mountain gullies.

British Rail said the main line between Perth and Inverness was open but was blocked north of Inverness.

The Seven Stones lightship, off Land's End, was in danger of running adrift in gales and mountainous seas last night. RAF helicopters stood by.

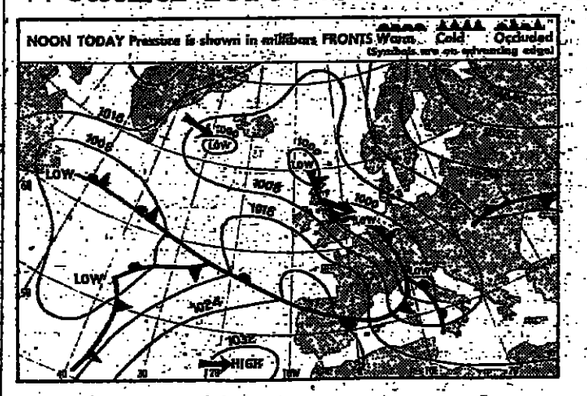
Tory choice at Wycombe

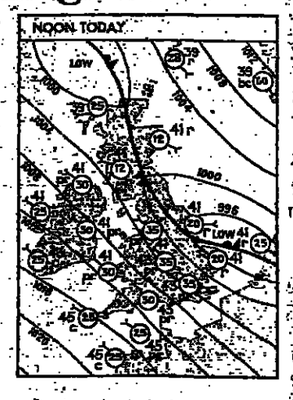
Mr Ray Whitney, aged 47, was adopted yesterday as Conservative prospective parliamentary candidate for Wycombe, vacant after the death two weeks ago of Sir John Hall.

Mr Witney, of Ascot, is head of overseas information at the Foreign Office. A by-election is expected in April.

Voting in October, 1974: Sir J. Hall (C) 27,131; W. F. Back (Lab) 18,052; M. T. James (L) 11,333; D. H. Smith (Nat Front) 2,049. C majority 9,079.

Weather forecast and recordings





Today

Sun rises: 7.38 am. Sun sets: 4.51 pm
Moon rises: 2.30 am. Moon sets: 11.48 am

New moon: February 7.
Lighting up: 5.21 pm to 7.6 am.
High water: London Bridge, 7.34 am, 6.3m (20.8 ft); 8.25 pm, 6.3m (20.7 ft). Avonmouth, 12.29 am, 10.2m (33.3 ft); 1.6 pm, 10.2m (33.3 ft). Dover, 4.58 am, 5.9m (19.3 ft); 5.48 pm, 5.6m (18.4 ft). Hull, 12.35 pm, 6.0m (19.5 ft). Liverpool, 5.20 am, 7.8m (25.5 ft); 5.51 pm, 7.8m (25.6 ft).

A trough of low pressure will persist over E and N areas.

Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

London, SE, SW, central S England, Midlands, Channel Islands, S Wales: Sunny intervals, showers; wind NW, strong or gale, moderating; max temp 7° or 8°C (45° or 46°F).

East Anglia, E and central N England: Generally cloudy, outbreaks of rain; wind NW, fresh or strong; max temp 4° or 5°C (39° or 41°F).

N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, N Ireland: Dull, some rain at first; brighter with showers, wintry over hills later; wind NW, strong, moderating; max temp 6°C (41°F).

NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Central Highlands, NW Scotland: Generally cloudy, outbreaks of rain, snow over hills; wind variable, becoming W moderate; max temp 3°C (37°F).

Aberdeen, Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Generally cloudy, outbreaks of rain, snow over hills; wind SE fresh or strong, light and variable later; max temp 2°C (36°F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Saturday: Sunny intervals and showers, wintry in E; rather cold, widespread night frosts.

Sea passages: S North Sea, Strait of Dover, English Channel (E), St George's Channel, Irish Sea: Wind W or NW, strong to gale, locally severe gale at first; sea very rough.

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; sl, sleet; sn, snow.

	C	F		C	F		C	F		C	F
Algiers	r	19	66	Cardiff	sn	2	36	L Palmas	c	23	73
Amst'dam	c	3	37	Cologne	c	1	34	Lisbon	f	13	55
Athens	f	13	55	Copenhgn	snr	1	34	Locarno	c	3	37
Barcelona	c	14	57	Dublin	c	7	45	London	c	6	43
Beirut	s	19	66	Edinburgh	sl	1	34	Luxmbrg	sn	0	32
Belfast	c	7	45	Florence	r	6	43	Madrid	c	10	50
Berlin	r	1	34	Funchal	c	16	61	Majorca	s	16	61
Bermuda	f	24	75	Geneva	c	2	36	Malta	s	18	64
Biarritz	r	12	54	Gibraltar	c	19	66	Manchstr	sl	6	43
Birmingham	r	6	43	Guernsey	c	10	50	Miami	s	24	75
Bristol	r	9	48	Helsinki	c	1	34	Montreal	s	-10	14
Brussels	c	3	37	Innsbruck	snr	1	34	Moscow	s	-10	14
Budapst	sn	0	32	Istanbul	c	7	45	Munich	c	0	32
Cardiff	r	9	48	Jersey	d	10	50	Naples	s	10	50
New York	s	1	34	Nice	c	9	48	Oslo	c	-2	28
Paris	c	5	41	Reykjavik	c	0	32	Rome	s	10	50
Stockhlm	sn	-1	30	Tel Aviv	s	19	66	Toronto	s	1	34
Vancouvr	sl	0	32	Venice	r	4	39	Vienna	c	0	32
Warsaw	c	-2	28	Zurich	sn	-1	30				

Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 6 am to 6 pm, 10°C (50°F); min, 6 pm to 6 am, 3°C (37°F). Humidity, 6 pm, 77 per cent. Rain, 24 hr to 6 pm, 0.09in. Sun, 24 hr to 6 pm, nil. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm, 990.8 millibars, rising.
1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

Overseas selling prices

Austria, Sch 18; Belgium, Bfr 24; Canaries, Pes 60; Denmark, Dkr 4.25; Finland, Fmk 5.25; France, Fr 3.50; Germany, Dmk 0.80; Greece, Dr 25; Holland, Dfl 0.80; Hongkong, HK $6.00; Italy, Lire 700; Luxembourg, Lf 25; Madeira, Esc 22.50; Malta, 12p; Norway, Kr 4.00; Portugal, Esc 25; Spain, Pes 60; Sweden, Skr 4; Switzerland, SFr 0.80; USA, Canada, $1.00; Yugoslavia, Din 24.

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New airport may be built for the South-east but not at Maplin

By Arthur Reed
Air Correspondent

The decision to abandon Maplin, on the Essex coast, as the third London airport is reaffirmed in a White Paper on airport policy published yesterday. At the same time the possibility of the need for a new airport for the South-east after 1990 is put forward.

The White Paper says that with more big aircraft entering service, and air traffic control being improved, long-term provision for the London area should not involve building a four runway airport, as the earlier Stansted and Roskill proposals had envisaged.

In that light the Government will consider how to provide extra capacity after 1990. Possibilities include a big expansion of Stansted; developing a military airfield as a civil airport; or building a new airport.

From the latest air traffic forecasts the Government concludes that a British Airports Authority proposal to increase Heathrow's capacity to 38 million passengers a year with a fourth terminal should be examined at a public inquiry. Ultimate development at the airport would be limited to four terminals.

The authority's proposals for a second terminal at Gatwick raising capacity to 25 million passengers, should be brought forward, but the proposal for a second runway should not be revived.

Proposals should also be brought forward to extend capacity at Stansted to handle four million passengers a year, but Luton should be restricted to the maximum capacity of a single terminal, estimated at five million passengers a year.

"The four airports together would thus provide a total capacity for the London area of about 72 million passengers", the White Paper says. "Given the particular uncertainties about the higher end of the range of air traffic forecasts and the need to avoid the premature and perhaps unnecessary commitment of costly and high-risk new airport developments, the Government regards these proposed developments as sufficient for accommodating air traffic in the London area during the 1980s.

"There should be no further expansion of the London airports in the current phase of airport strategy."

Outlining airport policy for the rest of the country, the White Paper says there is no requirement for a new airport outside the South-east of England and with the preponderance of cargo carried on passenger aircraft an all-cargo airport would not be viable.

AIR PASSENGER DEMAND IN GREAT BRITAIN

Millions

	1975	1976	1980 Low	1980 High	1985 Low	1985 High	1990 Low	1990 High
London Area								
International	24.9	26.8	32.4	37.1	46.3	57.1	60.0	80.9
Domestic	3.9	4.2	4.3	4.8	5.1	6.4	5.9	8.5
Regional Airports								
International	5.3	5.6	6.2	7.3	8.8	11.6	10.8	15.8
Domestic	6.6	7.0	7.0	7.9	7.9	9.7	9.4	12.2
Total Great Britain								
International	30.2	32.4	33 6	44.4	55.1	68.7	70.8	96.7
Domestic	10.5	11.2	11.3	12.7	13.0	16.1	15.3	20.7
Total	40.7	43.6	49.9	57.1	68.1	84.8	86.1	117.4

Manchester airport has facilities to meet expected demand until at least 1990 and should consolidate its position as a gateway international airport and as the principal airport outside the South-east.

There is no requirement for a second gateway airport, but Birmingham and East Midlands airports should be important to the Midlands for short and medium-range scheduled and charter services.

Leeds-Bradford airport should fulfil a similar but less extensive role for Yorkshire and Humberside. In the longer term, depending on demand, East Midlands might assume a wider role in the national airport system.

In northern England, demand is unlikely to justify a gateway international airport. Newcastle should still handle more traffic and offer more service than Teesside.

In South Wales and south-west England the catchment areas of the various airports are small. Cardiff, with its modern but underused facilities, should develop as the "category B" airport in that area.

Apart from those, no other airport in England and Wales is expected to fulfil a significant role nationally, although others will continue to provide for local needs.

The future of Scottish airports cannot be divorced from decisions on devolution. The Government has concluded that there is no need for a new airport in central Scotland, that any modification in the roles of Prestwick, Glasgow and Edinburgh should be a matter for the proposed Scottish assembly, that future arrangements for the Highlands and Islands airfields should be decided by the assembly and that charges at the latter should ensure that diverted traffic is not subsidized by the taxpayer.

In the White Paper the Government rejects past suggestions that air traffic should be diverted from the South-east towards the regions by heavy charge on passengers using the main London airports.

"The Government rejects the suggestion that the air transport industry should be subject to the damaging restrictions on its operations, which would be the outcome of the forced diversion of traffic to regional airports", the White Paper says.

Although the air transport industry makes a valuable contribution to the economy, the White Paper says, the Government sees no general justification for subsidizing airports and air services. Subsidies for some Highlands and Islands services are an exception.

Losses at local authority airports are running at £5m-£6m a year, however. The Government will expect local authorities controlling airports to economize and cut losses. The Government will expect proposals for improving the airports to be postponed until the economic situation allows some growth in council spending.

Disturbance caused by aircraft noise is the most serious difficulty associated with air transport, the White Paper says. Over the next 15 years there should be a marked decline in the number of people affected.

The Government will keep trying to reduce the disturbance and to seek international agreement on stricter noise standards for aircraft.

To that end, the Government is to prohibit the use of non-noise-certificated subsonic jets acquired by any United Kingdom operator after September 30, 1978, and to prohibit from January 1, 1986, the use of all non-noise-certificated subsonic jets on the United Kingdom register.

Airports Policy Command 7084 (Stationery Office, 85p).

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£4,800m cost of a return to 1973 taxes

By Our Political Editor

Income taxes will have to l cut by about £4,800m in Mr Healey's spring Budget simp to get back to the rates bei paid at the last Tory Budget 1973, Sir Geoffrey Howe, Q the shadow Chancellor, mai tained yesterday.

In a report to the Conserv tive Party's finance committe he set out striking tables sho ing, as he put it, how far Mr Healey had to go "to repair th damage done by his long seri of high tax Budgets".

Sir Geoffrey based h assumption on 10 per cent pri inflation between April, 197 and April, 1978.

Among the targets he sa Mr Healey should have in mi were appropriate levels for pe sonal allowances to raise th present figures to comparabili with 1973 allowances.

The single (and earning wife allowance, for example, now £94 should be £1,260, an increase £315. The married allowance, n £1,455, should be £1,653, £1 more. The age allowance (single should rise from £1,250 to £1,4 £243 more, and the age allowan (married), now £1,975, should i crease by £159 to £2,134.

Sir Geoffrey said the qualifyi points for higher rates of incon tax should be raised substantiall The starting point for the 40 p cent rate should rise from £6,0 to £10,079; 50 per cent rate, fr £8,000 to £14,111; 60 per ce rate, from £10,000 to £20,159; a the 82 per cent rate, from £21,0 to £40,318.

Sir Geoffrey estimated that t true value of combined child ben fit and child tax allowances f about £200m short of its 19 level.

He said that the cost of curbi the present basic rate of incom tax from 34 per cent to the per cent rate that Mr Healey inherited in 1973 would cost abo £1,800m.

The overall estimated cost of t tax cuts Mr Healey would have make to achieve the 1973 tax tion was therefore, personal allo ance, £2,200m; higher rate band £680m; basic rate, £1,800m; an child benefits or allowance £200m; a total of £4,800m.

1930s 'were years of rising living standards'

By Ian Bradley

The 1930s were not the depressed and wasted years that popular mythology has made them, a book published today argues. Rather, the decade taken as a whole saw a substantial rise in living standards and significant economic growth, most concentrated on new industries such as car manufacture, electrical goods and chemicals.

The authors of *The Slump*, John Stevenson, lecturer in history at Sheffield University, and Chris Cook, formerly senior research officer at the London School of Economics, do not deny that life was grim for the two million unemployed between 1931 and 1935.

They point out, however, that depression was concentrated in those parts of the country dependent on the declining industries of coal mining, iron and steel, shipbuilding and textiles. The light industries of the Midlands and South were booming and their workers, boosted by migrations from South Wales and the north-east, enjoyed rising living standards as prices fell and consumer durables came on the mass market.

They also discount another suggestion about the 1930s; that Labour's defeat in the 1931 election was a result of its desertion by the working classes. In fact, they say, the Labour vote did not collapse in 1931. It was higher than in 1923. The party rapidly recovered ground in local elections and never lost its working-class support.

According to Mr Stevenson and Mr Cook, the ability of Labour to retain its mass following was a powerful factor in preventing parties of the extreme left or right from making significant headway at a time of potential social and political upheaval.

They say that Sir Oswald Mosley's British Union of Fascists, founded in October, 1932, never gained middle-class support in the way that other European Fascists parties did. Its highest membership during the decade was only 40,000, a figure reached in 1934. It then declined and alienated potential supporters by its violence.

The communists did no better. In 1931 they had only 6,000 members, mostly in South Wales and on Clydeside, and 21 of their 26 parliamentary candiates lost their deposits in the general election. Mr Willie Gallacher, who won East Fife in 1935, was the only communist to be elected to parliament in the decade.

The Government was sufficiently worried by the activities of extremist groups on the left and the right to regard them as serious threats to public order. Mr Stevenson and Mr Cook have uncovered evidence of the widespread use of informers by the police in the 1930s, and of the existence of at least one informer in the higher councils of the National Unemployed Workers' Movement during the national hunger marches of 1932.

The bulk of industrial workers, including the unemployed, however, showed no interest in extremism and continued to vote for the main parties. The authors draw an optimistic lesson from Britain's experience in the 1930s which bodes well for its chances of surviving the equally turbulent 1970s. They conclude: "The belief that unemployment is a destabilizing force and one which is bound to bring liberal democracy to its knees was proved not to be the case."

The Slump, by John Stevenson and Chris Cook (Jonathan Cape, £8.95).

Green Paper on profits policy today

By Our Political Editor

The Liberal-instigated Government Green Paper on profit-sharing in industry is to be published this afternoon, it was learnt in Whitehall yesterday.

A statement by Mr Healey, Chancellor of the Exchequer, will accompany presentation to the House of Commons of the consultative document.

Giving employees a chance to share private entreprise profits in what they call "industrial partnership" has long been championshed by the Liberal Party. It became prospectively part of the pact with Labour at its renewal last July, and Mr Steel told his party's assembly at Brighton in September "this year we are actually going to do something about it".

He and the Chancellor are a month late, but the Liberals have hope of incorporating the proposals in the forthcoming Budget and Finance Bill. Mr Pardoe, Liberal spokesman on Treasury and economic policy, submitted a detailed paper to the Treasury on the Liberal ideas for the scheme. Liberals are waiting to see how much credit the Government will give them for the policy development.



Basha, a six-month-old black rhinoceros, with his mother, Naivasha, at Pont Lympne Wildlife Sanctuary, Hythe, Kent. Born in the park, Basha was said yesterday to be thriving

Crown Court sits in hospital board room

Mr Eric White, aged 69, who is chronically sick, gave evidence before a court held in the board room of Llandough Hospital, Cardiff, yesterday. The hearing had been transferred from Merthyr Tydfil Crown Court, 30 miles away, at the request of counsel for defence.

Judge Powell, the jury, counsel and others crowded into the board room.

Mr White, a former sales director, who is serving an 18-month sentence for corruption imposed last year, was wheeled in a chair from his ward to the board room.

He was giving evidence for Stanley Tom George Lord, aged 74, of Bleedon Hill, Weston-super-Mare, who was accused of bribing three British Steel Corporation engineers.

Mr Lord, once the commercial manager for the A. J. Seward engineering company, who carried out contract work for repairs and maintenance to plant at the Ebbw Vale steelworks, has denied three charges of corruptly making gifts of air fares each worth £171.40 to the three engineers on August 23, 1970.

The engineers, Thomas John Jones, aged 53, of Meadow Crescent, Scwrfa, Tredegar, Vernon Alexander Bowker, aged 52, of Meadow Bank, Penperlleni, Pontypool, and Thomas Adrian Adams, aged 52, of Stonebridge Road, Ebbw Vale, all Gwent, have all denied corruptly accepting the air fares from Mr Lord and A. J. Seward Ltd.

The trial continues today.

Better care 'might have saved two spastics in six'

By Pat Healy
Social Services Correspondent

At least two of the six spastic babies born every day in Britain might have been normal if their mothers had been given better care during pregnancy, according to Mr James Loring, director of the Spastics Society.

Mr Loring said in London yesterday: "Thousands of babies are being born needlessly handicapped because of government inertia." If all the available knowledge was put into practice at least two fifths of all cases of spasticity could be prevented.

He was launching a "save a baby" campaign which is supported by 28 women's organizations. The Government will be pressed to provide much better prevention programmes. Action is likely to be most effective, the society believes, in reducing neonatal jaundice, failing placenta, prematurity and infection.

The society hopes the campaign will help raise an extra £2m for research into the causes of cerebral palsy. It will culminate in a rally in Trafalgar Square, London, in April.

Mr Loring said Britain was ten years behind most Scandinavian countries, and the perinatal mortality rate in Japan was 40 per cent lower than in Scotland.

"It makes sound sense for the Government to start spending money on helping women to have healthy babies", he said.

Jail for drug gang 'with Mafia connexions'

From Our Correspondent
Reading

Four members of a £1m heroin smuggling gang, said to have Mafia connexions, were jailed at Reading Crown Court, Berkshire, yesterday. It was believed to be the biggest international drug ring ever broken by customs officers at Heathrow airport, London, where the gang, all from Milan, were arrested.

A search of their baggage on May 6 last year, the prosecution said, revealed heroin valued at £250,000. Investigators later uncovered a complicated network of forged passports and double-flight bookings.

The operation was set up to get quantities of Chinese brown heroin from Bangkok on to the streets of Milan. Each team of six, three carriers and three minders, used several identities and split flight bookings to fly back to Italy without ever seeming to have been in Bangkok. They booked the return flight to Bangkok from Milan through London. In fact they came to Britain by train and boat and picked up the flight to Bangkok from Heathrow.

Erminio Alosi, aged 23, Mario Chiuri, aged 27, and Ferruccio Silva, aged 34, were convicted of conspiring with others to smuggle heroin into Britain. Mario Marini, aged 72, was formally acquitted after the jury had failed to agree on a verdict and Federico Gicardi, aged 31, pleaded guilty at the start of the trial.

Mr Gicardi was jailed for 7 years, Mr Chiuri for 5½ years, Mr Alosi for 6½ years, and Mr Silva for 7½ years.

Unified legal profession is proposed by the TUC

By John Groser

The fusion of the two branches of the legal profession is proposed by the TUC in its evidence to the Royal Commission on Legal Services, published today.

The TUC accepts that "it may well be necessary for there to be specialists in particular types of work, but this can be done quite easily by specialism within a unified profession".

The fusion would enable firms to provide more efficient and cheaper services, the TUC believes. It proposes that solicitors and individual firms should be allowed to advertise, so that people might know where to go for legal help.

Those are two of the main points made by the TUC in 60 pages of evidence.

A primary aim of any reform, the TUC believes, must be to ensure that legal rights are observed as far as possible. The first demand upon additional government resources should be to strengthen the agencies that secure observance of the law and to improve preventive measures.

The TUC calls for an end to the class structure of the legal profession. Non-graduates should be allowed to qualify, premiums for training should not be permitted, and wages comparable to those of other workers should be paid to legal trainees. It also believes that the conveyancing monopoly should be ended.

The royal commission should give priority to considering ways of simplifying and speeding court proceedings. The High Court should sit for the whole year, except on Bank holidays.

The programme set out in the 1977 TUC/Labour Party statement on statutory tribunals should be adopted. It includes government grants to existing agencies that provide primarily lay representatives to enable them to expand and to improve their representation for tribunals.

The TUC says the role and authority of tribunals must be strengthened. There should be thorough training for all chairmen and members in the rules of legal procedures.

There should be a minister, with Cabinet rank, to take responsibility for national policy on legal services and the distribution of relevant government finance.

Girl of 11 to fight football ban in court

From Our Correspondent
Nottingham

A girl aged 11 is to challenge in court the Football Association's ban on girls under 12 playing in mixed football matches. Theresa Bennett, of Little Carlton, Newark, Nottinghamshire, is taking the action as a test case under section 44 of the Sex Discrimination Act.

The Equal Opportunities Commission has agreed to give financial assistance and the hearing is expected this month. The girl had hoped to take part in matches with boys in the Newark Youth League this winter.

But on the eve of her first match Nottinghamshire Football Association imposed the ban, which was upheld by the association's headquarters.

Editor censured for his 'irresponsible behaviour'

The Press Council yesterday unanimously censured the *West Highland Free Press*, Skye, for failing to publish an adjudication criticizing its behaviour.

The council accuses the editor of bringing into disrepute the standards of editorship of the British press by failing to discharge an obligation accepted for a quarter of a century by editors throughout the United Kingdom, and recently endorsed by the Royal Commission on the Press.

On January 13, 1978, the council issued an adjudication after investigating a complaint brought against the *West Highland Free Press* by Lieutenant-Commander P. Dalzel-Job, of Plockton. It criticized the newspaper for taking more than three months to correct an inaccurate statement concerning the commander. In place of the adjudication, the newspaper published an editorial comment telling the council to "take a running jump".

The Press Council takes a grave view of the irresponsible behaviour of the editor of the *West Highland Free Press* in disregarding the system of self-regulation which has been accepted by the whole of the British press for a quarter of a century and has recently been approved and endorsed by the royal commission. It is an essential part of the system, accepted equally by national and local newspapers, that they should publish an unfavourable adjudication referring to themselves whenever one is issued by the council.

The *West Highland Free Press* has chosen to depart from this accepted practice and has, by so doing, advertised its own irresponsibility and earned the unanimous condemnation of the council, which it now receives.

Tory criticism damaging to Acas, minister says

By Our Parliamentary Staff

Mr Walker, Minister of State for Employment, said yesterday that he was dismayed at growing criticism by Conservative MPs of the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas). "I hope they reflect carefully on the harm they may be doing to what is an impartial body", he said.

Mr Walker was speaking during the first sitting of the Commons standing committee on the Employment Protection Bill, a private member's measure introduced by Mr Edward Fletcher, Labour MP for Darlington, designed to tackle some of the alleged breaches in industrial conciliation legislation shown by the Grunwick dispute.

The Government strongly supports the measure. Mr Barney Hayhoe, an opposition spokesman on employment, had moved an amendment, later rejected by eight votes to seven, to lay a duty on Acas, in a recognition dispute, to consult all the parties to find an "unbiased and impartial" method of determining the workers' opinions.

Mr Fletcher said Acas was under a general duty implied by law not to act in a partial or biased manner. The amendment was not necessary.

Mr Hayhoe said he was not saying that Acas was a group of biased people pushing their own view. However, Acas was labouring under a heavy burden arising from its terms of reference, which might lead to partiality. By passing the amendment the committee would be supporting Acas and reinforcing its impartiality.

Rail booking conditions 'old and unfair'

By Robin Young
Consumer Affairs Correspondent

British Rail should revise i "unfair and ludicrously out dare" booking conditions light of the new law elimi ating exclusion and indemni clauses, Mr Gordon Borri Director General of Fair Tra ing, said yesterday. He thoug some printed conditions ava able to passengers wer "carried over out of habit fro the days of the old priva railway companies".

He criticized conditions, see at two London terminals yeste day, limiting British Rail liability for loss, damage delay to luggage to £50 o trains, and £25 at left luggag offices. But British Rail sai later that both limits wer raised to £100 from January and new conditions had bee circulated to stations.

The Office of Fair Tradin responded by saying that tw other conditions Mr Borri singled out as unreasonable re mained unchanged. One allow British Rail to sell articles lef unclaimed at left-luggage office for longer than a month, an the other disclaims all respons bility for cats, dogs and pram taken on trains.

British Rail said: "We be lieve that our conditions repre sent a fair and reasonable cod of practice in an extremel diverse field of operations, pro vided that they are interprete and applied reasonably."

Decision later in Prudential case

An industrial tribunal Liverpool reserved its decisi yesterday in a claim by Henry O'Brien, aged 38, agent of the Prudential Insu ance Company, who alleg unfair dismissal by the co pany.

Mr O'Brien, of Massams La Formby, Merseyside, was d missed, it has been stated, b cause he did not disclose t previous mental breakdowns.

Hospital faces staff action on porter's death

By Our Health Services Correspondent

Porters and catering and domestic staff at the Westminster Hospital, London, were told to stage several one-hour walk-outs next week after a branch meeting of the National Union of Public Employees yesterday.

The move is aimed at forping the regional hospital authority to investigate the running of the hospital after an allegation by union officials that a Mr Loreto Galano, a porter who collapsed and died in the casualty department, had been left unattended for more than an hour.

A regional hospital official said there was normal working at the Westminster yesterday.

The Reith Lectures

Liberty saved, fraternity still awaited

The twentieth century has seen both the rise and the demise of political parties organized along class lines, Professor A. H. Halsey said last night in the fourth of his Reith Lectures on BBC Radio 4.

He pointed out that at the beginning of the century the Labour Party did not exist and the trade union movement was in its infancy. Only 13 per cent of working people were in trade unions, compared with 50 per cent today. Political conflict still divided contestants more by religion than by class.

Professor Halsey argued that the slow pace of the Labour Party's growth was to be explained partly by its relatively late start, partly by the inevitably slow process of building up loyalty as parents passed on their party commitment to their children, and "partly by the brilliant ingenuity of the Conservative Party in rebutting the twentieth century challenge that political parties should be seen solely in terms of class interest".

Professor Halsey argued that the unionization of white-collar workers had led the unions to lose their class character, if not their class rhetoric. At the same time the Labour Party's social composition had undergone a striking transformation. Between the wars 72 per cent of Labour MPs came from working-class backgrounds. By 1970 the figure was only 25 per cent.

In recent years, he said, the organized political pursuit of working-class interests had been overtaken by two apparently contradictory trends: the rise of the corporate state and the development of fragmented, locally based direct-action groups.

The main consequence of the rise of a working-class party, he argued, was the national incorporation of its leaders, who had become part of the establishment. Organizational decay, in terms of a catastrophic decline in party membership, was the price that had to be paid for incorporation.

Professor Halsey concluded: "A heroic age of universalist political controversy has ended. Freedom, the truly precious inheritance, is preserved. Equality has been displaced by a political search for economic growth: and the problem of fraternity is still with us."

He will turn to that problem in his next lecture, on Wednesday evening.

Civil servants claim pay rises of up to 28%

By Christopher Thomas

Two Civil Service unions representing more than half of Britain's 500,000 non-industrial civil servants are posing a direct challenge to the Government's 10 per cent earnings policy.

The Society of Civil and Public Servants and the Civil and Public Services Association (CPSA), the two biggest Civil Service unions, presented claims yesterday that are certain to be rejected by the Civil Service Department.

The society, representing executive grades, lodged a claim between 22 and 28 per cent based on its own assessment of wage movements in analagous jobs in the private sector.

Mr Gerry Gilman, general secretary, said: "There have been massive breaches of phases one and two with false restructurings regradings and, in areas without collective bargaining arrangements, straight pay increases."

The society, whose Civil Service membership is about 95,000, contends that because the Government underspent by £1,600m in 1976-77 it could give a 20 per cent rise to civil servants without increasing projected expenditure. Its claim would give £5,350 a year to executive officers (a 27.9 per cent rise) and £14,030 to assistant secretaries (£25.2 per cent more).

The CPSA, representing 190,000 clerical workers, presented a claim ranging between 15 and 20 per cent on basic rates, with an underpinning minimum of £6 a week.

The remaining seven Civil Service unions lodged an unspecified "substantial" claim two days ago.

Child deaths on the roads up by 15 per cent

The number of child pedestrians killed on Britain's roads in the three months ended September, 1977, was up by 15 per cent on the same quarter of 1976. Provisional figures released by the Department of Transport yesterday showed that 120 children were killed and 7,600 injured, an increase in child casualties of 17 per cent.

Altogether 1,700 people died in road accidents, an increase of 3 per cent, 21,600 were seriously injured (5 per cent up) and 68,500 slightly injured (5 per cent).

The total number of casualties in the three months rose by 5 per cent to 91,800, while traffic increased by 3 per cent.

Escapers cut cell bars

Clive Parkinson, aged 21, and David Walker, aged 20, both serving sentences for burglary escaped from Birmingham prison yesterday by sawing through cell bars and climbing down a rope made of bed clothes.

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Busy urban stations may hold only 48 hours' supply of fuel; country garages may have enough for two normal weeks. Many garages complained yesterday, however, that reports of the tanker drivers' action had prompted panic buying, and there were reports of scenes reminiscent of the 1973 oil crisis, with motorists queuing for 50p top-ups.

Suffolk police said that motorists queuing outside filling stations might face obstruction charges.

The Motor Agents' Association reports that some filling stations were closing early to conserve dwindling stocks. Meanwhile the main oil companies forecast that deliveries would be cut by a third by the tanker drivers' action.

One company representative said: "If a tanker driver should do three deliveries a day, he is going to abandon the third delivery if there is any possibility of his running into overtime on the return journey."

Some remote areas, notably in the Highlands, may fare better, as all fuel supplies, from garages to fishing boats, are delivered by an independent distributor.

Supplies of heating oil to factories and offices generally come direct from the oil companies, and such deliveries are likely to be affected soon.

Discretional grants are target for cuts

By Diana Geddes
Education Correspondent

Some local authorities have cut the numbers of their new full-value discretionary awards for students in further and higher education by more than three quarters over the past three years, a government report said yesterday. Other authorities have more than doubled the numbers of their grants.

Authorities in England and Wales overall made about two thousand fewer new full-value discretionary awards under section 2 of the Education Act, 1962, in 1977-78 than in 1975-76, an average decrease of 6 per cent. If they had increased the total number of such awards to keep pace with the increase in the number of 18 and 19-year-olds about five thousand more awards should have been made this year than the 32,328 that are estimated to have been made.

Section 2 awards are given at the discretion of local authorities to students who are not eligible for mandatory grants. They go to students who are not on first-degree, Higher National Diploma, Diploma of Higher Education or teacher-training courses, or any other course that has been designated by the Government as eligible for a mandatory award.

Full-value awards are those which, like mandatory awards, are designed to cover the full cost of the student's fees and maintenance, subject to deductions in respect of the parents', spouse's or student's own income. The student on a discretionary award will therefore normally get the same maintenance grant as those on mandatory awards, which this year is £1,010 for those living in residence halls outside London.

The local authority gets 90 per cent of its expenditure on mandatory awards back from the Government. Its spending on discretionary awards comes out of its own funds, to which the Government contributes only 61 per cent through the rate-support grant.

Fifty-nine of the 104 education authorities have been cutting back on discretionary awards during the past two years of economic hardship, the Government survey shows. Forty-three showed an increase. Individual authorities are not named in the report.

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...e group is seeking com... on its findings before ...nting its recommendations to the education committee on March 17.

The report found weaknesses in sentence construction, punctuation and spelling. However, it says, such complaints were not new. "Industrial reports have been pointing to them since before the 1920s."

It urges that schoolchildren in Somerset from the age of seven should take regular tests in reading and writing, with further tests in their last two school years to prepare them for work. Oral tests should be compulsory in O-level English.

Mr Barry Taylor, Somerset's chief education officer, attributed part of the blame to parents. "We are now in the age of the non-communicating family", he told a press conference announcing the report.

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This was because although the BBC were paying them, and their very considerable travelling expenses, they were insisting on publishing a book on their own account, not for the BBC.

Sir Charles wrote to Sir Harold, stating that the two men had declined to sign a contract that would have given the BBC adequate control over their activities and their output. "I could not afford to have it said that public money had been spent financing a private venture", Sir Charles said.

I asked Sir Harold about passages reprinted in the *Daily Mirror* from the book about *him saying that some members* of MI5 and MI6 were "very right wing" and that they were the sort of people who would have spread stories that there was a communist cell at 10 Downing Street. Sir Harold replied:

I never said anything of the sort. This was all dealt with at the time of *The Observer* serialization of the writings of the two journalists.

The matter was raised in the *House; the Prime Minister made* a statement and I expressed my full agreement with it. My references to MI5 and MI6, while capable of sensationalization by Penrose and Courtiour, had a motive. They were anxious to find out what reports I had had from the security authorities of South African involvement in British politics, which they and the BBC had given me to understand was their only interest.

In no circumstances was I going to reveal anything said by the security authorities and I brushed the question away by a perhaps unfair and light-hearted reference.

I pressed Sir Harold about the allegation made in the book that there was a security inquiry into a senior civil servant whom he had appointed to a top in 10 Downing Street, and who was suspected of being the "fourth man" in the Burgess and Maclean affair. Sir Harold said:

This story about a civil servant *in the Cabinet Office, which* never surfaced in my time at Downing Street, was the subject of communal cocktail discussion during the course of last summer. At one point somebody brought it to my attention. I did not take it seriously. I did not believe there ever was a story there.

According to an extract from the book in yesterday's *Daily Mirror*, Sir Harold was told the identity o fthe suspect last summer and Lady Falkender is quoted as saying: "When Harold told me the name we looked at each other seriously and asked ourselves: 'If he is the 'fourth man' can we even trust each other?'"

There are also references to suspicions that 10 Downing Street was "bugged" and that Lord Wigg (then Mr George Wigg, MP, minister in charge of security) had said to Lady *Falkender: 'Keep your voice* down. These wal lhave at least five or six different sets of bugs in them'.

Lady Falkender protested that she was in the middle of Downing Street. Lord Wigg said: "That is all the more reason we have to whisper". Lady Falkender commented to the two authors: 'I felt . . . that if they had to do that in the middle of Downing Street there was no hope'.

I asked Sir Harold about that. He replied:

George Wigg was a very loyal, hard-working security man. He did a great job in improving security in the Service departments, for example, extending positive vetting, but he lived in a conspiratorial, hushed world. Neither he nor anyone else ever convinced me that such "bugging" went on, and the present Prime Minister has naturally satisfied himself on this question.

Asked if he recalled the incident involving Lord George-Brown (then Mr George Brown) and the display in the back window of his car of a letter that gave the name of the head of MI5, Sir Harold replied:

Yes, it was in Harold Macmillan's time. He had parked his car in Speaker's Court at the House of Commons. I was walking through to my office and pointed it out to Lady Falkender. I then suggested to the girl who worked part-time *for me and part-time for George* that the papers should be taken out and put into a safe place without delay.

Lady Falkender is reported as having told the two authors that her telephone at her home was tapped and that she could tell that because there was always a pause before the dialling tone came on.

I asked Sir Harold if he believed that. He replied:

It is not a subject I have ever inquired into, apart from my Downing Street direction in the 1960s that all telephone tapping of MPs must stop and that the personal approval of the Home Secretary was necessary in all other cases.

Sir Harold thought it unlikely that there was any way of telling if a telephone was tapped, "whether by delay, pips, squeaks or other things which I have been told about in different countries".

Much is made in the book of the disappearance of a social security file on Mr Norman Scott from the Department of Health and Social Security. Sir Harold said:

In the Commons yesterday, Mr Peter Blaker, Conservative MP for Blackpool, South, sought unsuccessfully to initiate an emergency debate on the allegations in the book about the tpo civil servant at 10 Downuing Street beiug the subject of a security inquiry and the accusations of inefficiency and partiality in the security service.

He urged the Prime Minister to set up an independent inquiry into the allegations. I was informed by an MP that the Social Security files relating to this man were missing. Naturally I asked for inquiries to be made. I *was told that the* particular file had been "weeded" in 1970 and that this was a routine operation to save space.

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WEST EUROPE

Bonn defence minister tenders his resignation

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, Feb 1

Herr Georg Leber, the West German Defence Minister, who *has been under attack for his* handling of recent espionage and bugging cases, today offered his resignation.

In doing so he told the Cabinet that Parliament had been misled for a third time about the matter. Fresh checks had disclosed that the military counter/intelligence service had been involved in more illegal bugging activities than the one instance he confirmed in Parliament last week.

In view of this, Herr Leber said he was unable to stand by his word that it was an isolated case and was taking the political consequences. He thereby hoped to preserve the armed forces from the harm which could come from a political controversy about the affairs.

Herr Schmidt, the Chancellor, and the Cabinet asked him in a four-hour meeting to think again about resigning and Herr Schmidt put off any decision until he had heard from Herr Leber again.

Government sources said that Herr Helmut Rohde, the Education Minister, would also be resigning soon and a Cabinet reshuffle was likely in the spring.

The Chancellor invited the Opposition to discuss the activities of the counter intelligence service tomorrow in an all-party meeting similar to those which took place during terrorist attacks.

However, Herr Helmut Kohl, leader of the Christian Democrats, and Herr Franz-Josef Strauss, head of the Christian Social Party, refused, saying in a joint statement that counter espionage was exclusively the Government's responsibility.

Herr Leber's resignation offer follows a series of political gaffes which has turned an outstanding Defence Minister into an embarrassment for the Social Democrat-Free Democrat coalition.

It comes at the start of a year which will see parliamentary elections in four important *Länder*.



Herr Rohde (left) and Herr Leber: leaving the Cabinet.

Bomb explosions in Spain after no-violence speech

From Harry Debelius
Madrid, Feb 1

Within hours of Señor Rodolfo Martín Villa, the Minister of the Interior, saying on television that cities in Spain were safer than elsewhere in Europe, bombs damaged an oil pipeline in the Canary Islands, wrecked a house which was near completion near San Sebastian, and destroyed a football pool betting office near Bilbao.

Reacting to mounting concern over a soaring crime rate and continuing terrorism, Señor Martín Villa took part in a televised press conference last night.

Shortly before he went on the air, the entrance to the home of Señor Manuel Fraga Iribarne, a conservative deputy and ambassador in London, was fired at from a passing car. Two policemen on duty narrowly escaped injury.

Hardly had the press conference ended when in Algeciras, across the bay from Gibraltar, about 500 rioting fishermen set fire to a fishing boat and threw petrol bombs at the police. At least 14 fishermen were arrested. Damage is estimated at nearly £130,000.

Mr Karamanlis satisfied with his European tour

From Mario Modiano
Athens, Feb 1

Mr Karamanlis, the Greek Prime Minister, returned home today with pledges of support from four Western European governments for his efforts to hasten Greek entry into the EEC and work out a special status with Nato.

Having spent a week on talks in London, Brussels, Paris and Bonn, he said at Athens airport: "I think I have the right to be satisfied with my discussions which are bound to have a beneficial effect on the many and difficult problems *Greece faces today.*"

He had secured the agreement of European leaders to speed up the admission of Greece into the Community, and to speed up the special status which I had proposed and sought to establish with Nato".

Mr Karamanlis emphasized that there was no link between the two subjects. However, an increasing number of Greeks believe that Greece's eagerness to acquire a military contingency link with Nato as well as Mr Karamanlis's readiness to negotiate with Turkey, elicited greater support for his request that the EEC entry negotiations should be rounded off by the end of the year, leading to full membership by January 1, 1980.

Mr Karamanlis said he had found understanding among the European leaders for the Greek Government's position in the disputes with Turkey.

He added, however, that Greece could not solve its problems without national unity, social peace, a healthy economy and "above all good sense".

It was clear that the Prime Minister was concerned about the discontent at home manifested in a series of disruptive strikes over pay.

Paris court jails spy for 20 years

Paris, Feb 1.—Serge Fabiew, aged 55, confessed leader of a French spy ring operating for Soviet military intelligence, was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment by the State Security Court here today.

The court also sentenced Marc Lefevre, aged 50, to 15 years' imprisonment and Raymond Dissard, aged 38, to two years in prison with 18 months suspended, for their part in the affair? An Italian, Giovanni Ferrero, aged 51, received an eight-year sentence.

The four men were convicted of giving important information on France's aeronautic, missile and computer industries to the Soviet Union.

According to the evidence, M Fabiew, Yugoslav-born and the son of a Tsarist officer, worked for an industrial information company and induced the other three, employed in defence industries, to give him information.

The prosecution said that M Fabiew was recruited in 1962 by a member of the Soviet Embassy in Paris.

When the ring was uncovered last year Fabiew confessed that he had "a romantic need for a homeland", the prosecution said, adding that he was made a Soviet Army officer, given Soviet nationality and put in charge of other agents.—Agence France-Presse and UPI.

French planes shot down by Chad rebels

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Feb 1

After keeping quiet about its involvement in supporting the Government in Chad for the past year, France has been faced with the news that two aircraft with *French crews on* board have been shot down in the Borkou region, south-east of Tibesti.

The four crew members on board the DC4 shot down on Monday have reached safety, but nothing is yet known of the fate of the three on board the DC3 shot down the previous day. They may have been taken prisoner by the Chad National Liberation Front (Frolinar), *which held Mme* Françoise Claustre, the archaeologist—for 33 months.

Dutch approve export of nuclear fuel to Brazil

The Hague, Feb 1.—The Lower House of Parliament voted today to allow deliveries of enriched uranium to Brazil, provided strict safeguards against its misuse are agreed in advance.

The vote was coupled with a motion approving the expansion of an ultra-centrifuge uranium enrichment plant at Almelo in eastern Holland. The enrichment project is a joint one involving Holland, Britain and West Germany.

The wording of today's motion means that the Dutch Government will have to persuade its partners and Brazil to finish detailed negotiations on nuclear safeguards by 1981, when the deliveries of uranium fuel are to start.—Reuter.

Poverty among unemployed belies W German beliefs

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, Feb 1

Widespread complacency in West Germany about unemployment may have been shaken by the disclosure that at least a million people are living below the poverty level because they or their breadwinners are out of work.

This is troubling news because unemployment has become accepted as the regrettable but unavoidable consequence of restructuring industry in order to keep West Germany competitive and maintain its high average standard of living.

It has been generally assumed that those out of work—at present more than a million—are well taken care of by unemployment pay and other allowances. There is even a sneaking suspicion among many Germans that the unemployed are shirkers living comfortably at the taxpayers's expense.

*A study carried out through*out West Germany by the Rhineland-Palatinate Ministry for Social Questions shows a very different picture.

It found that at least 500,000 workers are receiving less in unemployment pay and allowances than the officially-calculated minimum for a reasonably decent human existence.

This poverty line is calculated on the cost of basic necessities for body and soul—rent, food, transport and a minimum of entertainment. It envisages an austere existence with, for instance, provision for only three bottles of beer and one cinema ticket a month.

The level varies slightly from *Land to Land* and with the workers' circumstances, but in the Rhineland-Palatinate the basic minimum for a worker with a non-earning wife and two teenage children is around 1,000 marks (about £250) a month.

It is admitted that the figure given for those below the poverty level is only approximate. The study was also unable to take into account unverifiable factors such as the number of unemployed who, for a variety of reasons, fail to draw their assistance money. Nor it is known how many eke out their unemployment pay with part-time jobs.

But Herr Georg Gölter, the Rhineland-Palatinate Social Minister, said the most disturbing aspect of the study was that the people affected were normal workers with normal skills in normal sectors of the economy.

It showed "how much thoughtlessness there is behind the assertions that the unemployed are too well off", he said. West Germans must not become accustomed to high unemployment.

Herr Gölter's principal aim was to shake West Germans into realizing the problems created by unemployment.

The other unavoidable conclusion from the study is that social assistance for the unemployed must be improved,

EEC plea to Britain over fishing policy

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, Feb 1

A personal appeal to Britain not to persist in blocking progress towards a new EEC fisheries policy was made here today by Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, the commissioner responsible for agriculture and fishing.

The interim agreement which the other eight member states were ready to endorse yesterday was a breakthrough, Mr Gundelach claimed, reconciling widely different national interests. It was a "matter for disappointment, regret and concern" that Britain could not go along with it.

The fisheries dispute had now become "a test case of the credibility of the community", Mr Gundelach declared. "After 14 months of non-stop hard work I am a disappointed man personally, but I have not lost courage." He was confident that a solution could still be found.

It was not enough for Britain merely to proclaim the inadequacy of proposals which everyone else was now prepared to accept. As the odd man out, it had an obligation *to say more precisely what it* wanted. Until Britain did so, there was no point in resuming negotiations.

Mr Gundelach's comments came after last night's breakdown in the fisheries negotiations caused by Britain's refusal to endorse an interim solution to the dispute based on catch quotas, conservation measures and a special system for limiting and controlling fishing activity in Irish waters.

The main objection raised by Mr Silkin, the British Minister for Agriculture, was that the scheme did not guarantee the "dominant preference" he demands for British fishermen within 50 miles of the coast. He also dismissed the proposed conservation measures as "minimal".

Mr Gundelach said that a special coastal zone for the British was very difficult for the rest of the EEC to accept. *As an alternative, the Irish* control system could not be applied generally in the North Sea because the fish species there were too intermingled, but such a system might be feasible in certain areas.

Conservation rules: Deadlock in the EEC fisheries talks has left the way clear for Britain to impose its own conservation rules (Hugh Clayton writes). They will be more radical than those sought by the European Commission and will centre on mesh sizes and industrial fishing.

British fishermen want an end to the practice of *switch*ing mesh at sea. They say that skippers often carry nets with small mesh which enable them to catch immature fish of species good for human consumption. If they carry nets with large mesh as well, the offence is hard to detect.

The British industry also wants tighter control of the amount of fish good for human consumption taken in industrial catches of smaller species which are destined for oil or livestock feed.

Although stricter curbs will apply to fishermen of all nationalities in British waters, they will be supported by the catching and using sections of the British fishing industry. Other rules will be harder to formulate because of deep divisions between representatives of the fishermen on one side and of processors, shopkeepers and caterers on the other.

French public in favour of tougher line on crime

From Our Own Correspondent
Paris, Feb 1

Violence is becoming the main worry for French people, President Giscard d'Estaing told a Cabinet meeting this morning. The meeting was largely devoted to the subject, and to the recommendations of a report on it drawn up by an independent committee and submitted to the President last July.

The rate of violent crime is growing steadily and public opinion is becoming increasingly dissatisfied with the way in which the authorities are coping with it.

The publication this week by the independent left-wing magazine *Le Nouvel Observa*teur of a poll of attitudes to violence must have come as something of a shock to the authorities. Of the persons polled, 78 per cent, irrespective of social class, felt the Government was too liberal towards criminals. Only 4 per cent felt that it was too repressive.

Blue and white collar workers, farmers and town dwellers, communists, socialists and right-wingers were, with small shades of difference, of the same opinion on this subject.

The same trend emerged in the poll in which what was *seen as the Government's ex*cessively liberal attitude towards youth was condemned.

The Government has a twofold problem in the growth of crime and the sensitivity of public opinion to it. Coupled with the impression of official laxity and ineffectiveness, increasing crime is leading people to take the law into their own hands by creating committees of vigilantes, acquiring weapons and using them indiscriminately in self-defence.

Red Cross warning on 'neo-nazi propaganda'

From Alan McGregor
Geneva, Feb 1

The International Committee *of the Red Cross (ICRC)* issued a refutation today of "neo-Nazi propaganda" intended to whitewash Hitler's Germany with regard to the mass extermination of European Jews.

It took this initiative because of the growing number of letters being received from people who "hope they will receive confirmation of their opinion that after the war Germany was the victim of a smear campaign".

The ICRC said this was the result of pamphlets, such as *Di Six Million Really Die*, by Richard Harwood, *The Hoax of the Twentieth Century* by A. R. Butz and *The Myth of the Six Million.*

"This false propaganda", the ICRC added, "is nurtured essentially by the controversy about the actual number of victims, statistics wrongly attributed to the International Red Cross and quotations, distorted or truncated, from the ICRC report on its activities during the Second World War."

Therefore, the ICRC wanted to make it clear that it had never published, or even combined, statistics of the kind being falsely attributed to it. Its delegates had been able to enter only a few concentration camps and then only in the final days of the war. They had never been in a position to obtain data for such statistics.

It said the same propagandists had recently been making use of the figure of the number of deaths—350,000—recorded by the ICRC's International Tracing Service at Arolsen, West Germany, on the basis of documents found when the camps were closed.

This number bore no relation to total deaths because much documentary material was destroyed before the departure of the Nazi administrators and, secondly, because many deaths were never recorded.

Police examine Mafia theory in baron's kidnap

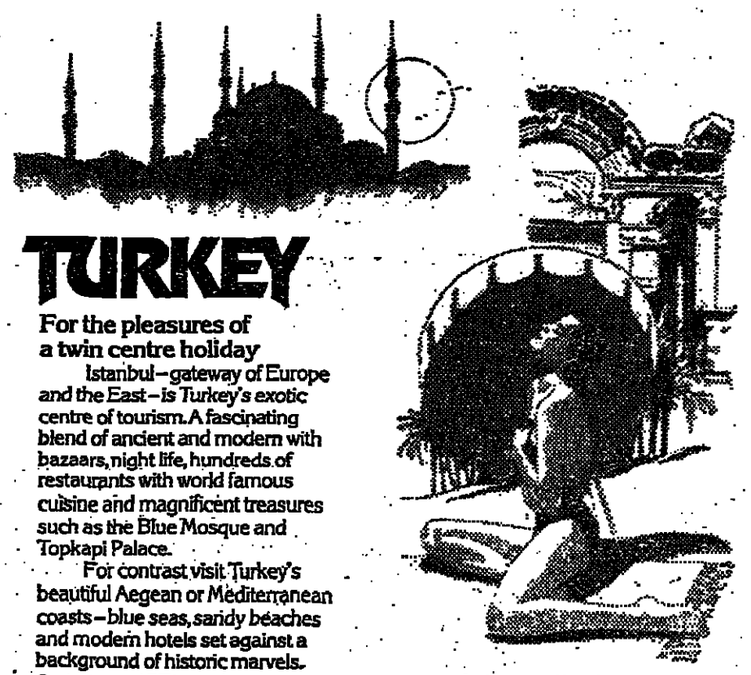
From Ian Murray
Paris, Feb 1

A senior police officer involved in the hunt for the kidnappers of Baron Edouard-Jean Empain has been sent to Italy to try to establish if the Mafia might be behind the crime. Superintendent Charles Pellegrini flew to Rome yesterday.

He is anxious to examine the file of what was known as the "Marseilles gang", a Franco-Italian group believed to have been behind a series of Mafia *kidnappings including that of* Signor Andrea Ortolani.

Four men were arrested after Signor Ortolani was released on payment of an £800,000 ransom.

The fact that the group holding the baron *seems to be* experienced in this type of crime and the discovery of various similarities between the Empain kidnapping and that of Signor Ortolani have led the French to believe that they may be dealing with a resurrected "Marseilles gang".



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Mr Dayan arranges hasty journey to the United States to steal the thunder from Mr Sadat's visit

From Patrick Brogan
Washington, Feb 1

Hasty arrangements are being made for the surprise journey here next week of Mr Moshe Dayan, the Israeli Foreign Minister, coming on the heels of the visit of President Sadat of Egypt.

It was announced yesterday that Mr Dayan was coming to address a series of fund-raising meetings in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and Miami.

He will almost certainly come to Washington and see Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, and it is quite probable that he will see President Carter as well.

President Sadat arrives in Washington on Friday, and will go immediately to Camp David, the presidential weekend retreat in the Maryland mountains, with Mr Carter. They will be accompanied by their wives, so the two days they will spend there will not be devoted entirely to business.

Mr Sadat will speak at a lunch at the National Press Club on Monday, see several members of Congress and others over the following two days, and leave on Wednesday evening. He then goes on to Europe, to spend a day each in London, Paris, Bonn and Vienna.

The Americans have urged that Egyptians and Israelis should conduct their negotiations in private in future, instead of on television. It is not known how much publicity Mr Sadat intends to seek while he is here—all the television networks and newspapers have asked for interviews, of course, and he could fill the airways and front pages for five days if he wanted to.

Presumably that prospect played its part in Mr Dayan's decision. The Israelis have fallen sadly behind in the art of manipulating American opinion and may now wish to catch up.

In an interview published here on Monday, Mr Dayan said firmly that Israel would not give up the Sinai settlements, even if it were the last obstacle to peace. This is not a point of view that Americans have much sympathy with, and he will doubtless use his various public statements here to justify his position.

The State Department had no comment today on reports that three more Israeli settlements are being set up on the West Bank, and that Mr Dayan had denied that he ever promised President Carter last September that no more settlements would be permitted for another year.

Michael Knipe writes from Jerusalem: Mr Dayan is flying to the United States next week for what is officially described as a fund-raising tour. However, it is clear that the Israeli Government hoped that by his presence in America he will be able to counter the impact on public opinion of President Sadat's forthcoming five-day visit.

Jerusalem: Mr Dayan said today that Israel will continue to establish military outposts that may turn into civilian settlements on the occupied West Bank.

He asserted in Parliament that President Carter knew about Israel's intentions before the latest Cabinet decision to set up three such posts. "I told the President that in my estimate the policy of all the governments in the future . . . will be to continue settlements in Judea and Samaria (the West Bank).

"I said, however, that considering the special situation of intensive negotiations for peace now being conducted with the Arab states, settlements in the coming months will be in the framework of military camps."

Although the Government approved six new settlements at existing military bases last year, the Cabinet voted on January 3 to authorize three more at military camps that were actually established only later.

Mr Arye Naor, the Cabinet secretary, said there were no immediate plans to move civilians into the posts set up by the army's Nahal farmer-soldier corps.

Mr Carter recently expressed his concern to Mr Begin about the new settlements.—UPI.



A New York judge congratulates the former Miss Therese Rabie and Mr Salim Osman after marrying them. The couple fled from South Africa, where their marriage would have been prohibited because Mr Osman is of Asian descent and his wife is white.

BBC will extend broadcasts to Russia

By Ian Bradley

The BBC is launching transmission to the Union on Monday. A dail hour current affairs prog will be transmitted t eastern part of the coun means of a high gain Previously the BBC has trated its Russian broadc the more populous area the Urals.

As reported in *The* yesterday, Russian jamm Western broadcasts has ceased. Mr Alexander I controller of European S at the BBC, said that tra sions were now uninter in all East European cou except for Czechoslovaki

The BBC Russian broadcasts for more th hours a week. Mr Lieve that it was almost imp to calculate the size of th audience, although it ha estimated as up to six n a slightly higher figure that for the Voice of Ar

He did not agree wi suggestion that older R preferred BBC broa while younger ones l more to the Voice of An He said: "Those lookir reliable information come while those looking for tainment go to the Voice.

Mr Lieven said that Russians recorded BBC grammes and circulated t the form of cassettes. Lis was often a communal a There had been no sign fall in the audience desp ception problems as a re aging transmitters. It however, important to transmitters if the BBC vice to East Europe was maintained.

Two deny spying for Hanoi in America

Washington, Feb 1.—The State Department said today it will protest to the Vietnam Government about the activities of an American and Vietnamese arrested here yesterday on charges of spying for Hanoi. It is also considering expelling a Vietnamese diplomat from the Hanoi mission at the United Nations.

Mr Ronald Humphrey, aged 42, and Truong Dinh Hung, aged 32, were arrested yesterday on charges of passing "documents, writings, notes and information relating to the national defence" to Vietnam.

Mr Humphrey, an employee of the United States Information Agency and Mr Truong, a Vietnamese student and son of a former South Vietnamese presidential candidate, pleaded not guilty in court here today to the spying charges.

The indictment against the two listed meetings between them in which Mr Humphrey is alleged to have turned over the documents that later were carried to Paris and then to Hanoi.

It also named five alleged accomplices who were not charged. They included Phan Thanh Nam, a diplomat at the Vietnamese Embassy in Paris, and Dinh Ba Thi, head of the Vietnamese delegation to the United Nations.

Both the Vietnamese Embassy in Paris and the Vietnamese delegation at the United Nations have denied the allegations.

Bond for Mr Humphrey was reduced to $150,000 (about £75,000), but was left at $250,000 (about £125,000) for Mr Truong. A trial date for both men of April 3 has been set.—Reuter, UPI and Agence France-Presse.

'Vicious lobbying' for British air landing system criticized

From David Cross
Washington, Feb 1

Mr Langhorne Bond, the head of the United States Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), said today that his organization had cooperated fully with British officials in a long-running dispute over the international selection of a new aircraft landing system.

He was giving evidence during the second day of a congressional hearing here to look into British claims that the FAA had used misleading information to secure international support for an American landing device, known as the Time Reference Scanning Beam (TRSB), in preference to a rival British-developed system called Doppler.

After criticism of computer simulations on the rival systems by the British, the FAA had agreed to hold practical flight tests at difficult airports in various parts of Europe and the United States and these had now taken place, Mr Bond said. Moreover, the British had been given full access to information on how the TRSB had performed in recent months.

His discussions with the British Government had been "excellent", he maintained. But he strongly criticized what he called the "vicious lobbying campaign" conducted in Washington by a lobbyist for the Plessey Corporation, which has been developing the Doppler system. "I have had great difficulty in dealing with the second-level warfare that has been going on", he said.

Mr Bond also told the Government activities and transportation subcommittee of the House of Representatives that he was convinced that the TRSB was a better landing system than its British rival. A group of international experts from the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) had come out in favour of the TRSB for reasons primarily of cost, simplicity, low technical risk and superior protection against the possibility of signal distortions, he added.

Both systems use microwaves to guide aircraft safely to the ground instead of the longer radio waves which are employed at present. The ICAO is due to take a final decision on which system should be introduced on a worldwide level at a meeting due to take place in Canada this spring.

During today's hearing, Mr John Wydler, a member of the House of Representatives from New York said it was "unfortunate" that the hearings were being held. However, they were necessary to clear the air.

As a powerful nation, the United States had to be careful how it dealt with its friends and its enemies, he said. Often it appeared to deal more carefully with the latter. In the present case it had appeared to be acting in a bully-like fashion. He hoped the United States aircraft landing system would be chosen internationally, but he did not want his country to win on any terms.

Representatives from the British Civil Aviation Authority and Plessey will testify later during the hearings which are expected to continue into next week.

'Beagle channel' talks off

From Florencia Varas
Santiago, Feb 1

A meeting between President Pinochet of Chile and President Videla of Argentina, which was to have taken place next Monday in Puerto Montt, southern Chile, has been postponed indefinitely.

The two leaders were to have discussed the tense relations between their countries resulting from a court of arbitration's award to Chile of sovereignty over three small islands south of the Beagle Channel.

The postponement of the meeting appears to have been caused by a letter sent by President Pinochet to President Videla pointing out that "Chile refuses to accept negotiations under the pressure of threats".

The breakdown was attributed by Government sources here today to the tough position adopted by Argentina.

Hard decisions forecast on Middle East peace

From David Watts
Cairo, Feb 1

Despite weeks of behind the scenes diplomacy, the mission to Egypt by Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, and the present visit by Mr Alfred Atherton, the Assistant Secretary of State, it was clear tonight that there has been little or no progress in patching up the differences which block the path to an agreement by Egypt and Israel on the principles governing a peace settlement.

After yesterday's presentation to the Egyptians of some new ideas at a two-hour meeting with Mr Muhammad Kamal, the Foreign Minister, Mr Atherton today listened to the Egyptian response to those ideas. Judging by all the diplomatic signals, the Egyptians did not like what Mr Atherton brought from Israel.

Diplomats are adopting an increasingly cautious tone in speaking of the meeting this weekend in the United States between President Sadat and President Carter. As one envoy put it, there are going to have to be some hard decisions.

After the ministerial talks this morning, Mr Kamal and Mr Atherton joined President Sadat and Mr Hermann Eilts, the American Ambassador, to review the whole gamut of issues to be covered at the American meetings.

Though neither side today would talk about the details of their discussions, Mr Atherton acknowledged that there were still differences to be overcome after his hour of discussions with Mr Kamal this morning.

Progress in the military talks, which continued today, could not be expected to be significant in view of the fact that the principal problem remains the Israeli settlements in northern Sinai, a problem which is common to both the political and the military talks. The Israeli delegation is planning to leave for home tomorrow and an Israeli source said they did not expect to be returning to the Egyptian capital until after Mr Sadat returned from his journey to the United States.

Algiers, Feb 1.—President Hafez Assad of Syria said today he was very optimistic about the outcome of a two-day Arab summit meeting opening tomorrow to oppose Egypt's Middle East peace moves.

Well-informed sources said Syria has given Palestinian guerrillas permission to reopen their bases and to establish a radio station on its territory.—Reuter.

Cosmos parts sent for tests

Edmonton, Alberta, Feb 1.—Half a dozen radioactive pieces of the Soviet Cosmos satellite that broke up over the North-west Territories last week were flown today to laboratories of the Atomic Energy Control Board for examination.

Two pieces, one said to be radioactive, were recovered yesterday about 165 miles east of Great Slave Lake, a Defence Department spokesman said.

The spokesman added: "Because of the trajectory and the debris found so far, there is a possibility that a good part of the power pack may have come down."

Lieutenant-Colonel Bev Torman another spokesman, said: "We are flying three Hercules planes over the area . . . to take more radiation readings. The search is really only just beginning."

He added: "If any parts of the reactor core survived, the larger ones would be the most potentially hazardous".—UPI.

Plutonium project: Details of a new project of the United States Department of Energy to develop four types of nuclear power system for spacecraft have come as a surprise to many observers, in the shadow of the Soviet accident (Pearce Wright writes).

The units would be based on the use of plutonium 238. The largest one would provide more than 10 kilowatts of electrical energy, or several times more than the power generated from the Russian reactor.

Nato anger at Brezhnev letter on neutron bomb

From Michael Hornsby
Brussels, Feb 1

President Brezhnev's recent letter to Nato states, warning them of the adverse consequences for détente of a decision to deploy the neutron bomb, has, if anything, made it more likely that the alliance will decide to introduce the American-developed weapon.

According to Nato sources, recently concluded discussions among alliance members on how to reply to the letter revealed indignation at the minatory tone of Mr Brezhnev's missive and irritation at the implied assumption that Nato was under some kind of obligation to justify its actions to the Warsaw Pact.

To that extent Mr Brezhnev's diplomatic initiative would seem to have misfired. Indeed, some Nato sources suggest that the Soviet leader has made it almost impossible for the alliance not to deploy the neutron bomb, since to do otherwise would now appear to be knuckling under to Soviet pressure.

The United States for some time has been pressing its European allies to introduce the neutron bomb, which has enhanced radiation but reduced blast effects.

The Americans contend that the neutron bomb could neutralize the Warsaw Pact's numerical superiority in non-nuclear conventional forces in central Europe. The propaganda campaign mounted against the weapon by Moscow suggests that the Russians take much the same view.

Nato members have decided to emphasize a number of agreed points in their replies to Mr Brezhnev, but the precise emphasis to be given to each point will be left to the discretion of individual governments.

One point Nato will make is that the development of the neutron bomb is in large part a response to Soviet tank superiority in Europe, which, because of financial restraints, Nato can best offset by relatively cheap technological innovations of this kind.

Nato countries will also argue that the neutron bomb is not a mass destruction weapon, as the Russians contend, and has less widespread radiation effects than normal nuclear weapons and new Russian arms such as the medium-range SS20 missile.

Boycott of California grapes lifte

From Michael Leapman
New York, Feb 1

Mr Cesar Chavez, of the United Farm Wo announced yesterday th ending his campaign to coit some California g lettuce and wines. Exce a few months in 1970, it first time since 1965 th UFW has not been pro boycotts of California pr as part of its drive for nition by growers.

The grape boycott lift 1970, was imposed aga 1973 when growers refus sign a contract with the At the same time a boycot imposed on wines produc E. and J. Gallo, who mak of the best-selling inexp brands on the market.

The lettuce boycott been in effect since 197 was directed at the ic variety of lettuce, a species grown chiefly in fornia and so popular tha nowadays regarded with by modish food writers.

While in recent little attempt had been to inform shoppers of the cotts—at least not in eastern part of the count 1975 survey showed that sales of the target pro were being affected.

Mr Chavez said yeste that the boycotts had persu reluctant growers to sign tracts with his union, and was why they were being li

Most of the workers the grape and lettuce fiel California are migrants Mexico who were poorly and looked after until Chavez began organizing in the 1960s. In the later of that decade, with a ra mood growing on college puses, the grape boycott came a cause fervently espoused by many liberals.

Belize negotiator to meet Guatemalan minister

From Our Own Correspondent
Washington, Feb 1

Mr Edward Rowlands, Minister of State of the Foreign Office, who has been in charge of the Belize negotiations for the past two years, came to Washington today to see Señor Adolfo Molina, the Guatemalan Foreign Minister, and Mr Cyrus Vance, the United States Secretary of State.

He is expected to inform them officially that the Government of Belize has firmly rejected the compromise on which he has been laboriously working all that time.

Mr George Price, the Premier of Belize, was invited to agree to the cession of about 1,000 square miles of his country to Guatemala in exchange for recognition. He rejected the idea at a press conference in London last week. The British Government continues to maintain that it will not force any compromise upon Belize.

It is possible that the United States may be asked to mediate, but as the only other choices still open are for Britain to go back on its commitments or for Guatemala to renounce its long held claim, there would seem to be little Mr Vance could do.

Amin purge of security unit

Nairobi, Feb 1.—Presi Amin of Uganda has annou in Kampala that his State search Bureau has been shuffled and some of personnel dismissed. O officers have been arrested involvement in smuggling.

The bureau, which has t blamed for many killings Uganda, is regarded as intelligence network opera independently of the police army.

Commandos sent to Shaba as rebels mass in Angola

From a Correspondent
Lusaka, Feb 1

Zaire has sent two battalions of commandos by air to Shaba province to try to counter a build-up of Katangan rebels across the border in Angola, according to sources here.

Shaba (formerly known as Katanga) was the scene of a short-lived revolt last spring which was put down with the help of 1,500 Moroccan troops and French and Belgian military aid.

About 3,000 rebels have massed in Angola across from the Zaire frontier village of Lunshi, according to Western intelligence. They are thought to have enough weapons to sustain an offensive for one to three weeks.

Since their offensive last spring the rebels have staged sporadic attacks inside Shaba, quickly retreating back across the border.

The rebels fought with the victorious MPLA in the Angolan civil war, and in return have received assistance from President Neto's Government, as well as the Soviet Union and Cuba.

Angolan support for the Katangans is closely tied to the support given by President Mobuto of Zaire to the FNLA, one of the factions defeated by President Neto's Cuban-supported army.

Observers believe the Angolan President is supporting the Katangans in order to put pressure on his Zaire counterpart to abandon the FNLA, as well as to ensure that loyal troops are in the region in which the rival group has operated.

Bomb explodes in crowded Beirut square

Beirut, Feb 1.—A grenade exploded in a crowded square here today, killing one person and wounding 17 others.

Doctors were trying to save the lives of two of those injured in Martyrs' Square in the latest in a series of explosions since the Lebanese civil war ended 14 months ago. Witnesses said the grenade had been tossed into a shop and kicked out by an employee.

Mr Salah Salman, the Interior Minister, said that "certain quarters" were interested in frustrating stability and reconciliation in Lebanon, but he did not say whom he believed to be responsible.

The sound of nightly explosions has become so common in Beirut that it barely interrupts dinner conversations.—Reuter.

Neutral nations offer plan for Belgrade compromise

From Dessa Trevisan
Belgrade, Feb 1

Nine neutral and nonaligned countries have submitted a compromise paper in an effort to break the stalemate at the Belgrade conference reviewing implementation of the Helsinki accords.

The West accepts the paper as a basis for negotiations at the conference, which has been at a standstill since its resumption after the Christmas holidays when Soviet draft proposals were rejected by the West and the neutral nations.

The new proposals have not been formally tabled but added to a paper offered by the neutrals in December.

Although the West regards the new proposals as a step in the right direction, it sees them falling short in several fields, particularly human rights.

The neutrals argue, however, that all those matters were already covered in their December paper.

The new proposals include confidence-building measures that evidently will be difficult for the Soviet block to endorse. Notification of small-scale manoeuvres as well as large military movements is suggested.

To build confidence in the economic field the neutral states call for the elimination of all obstacles to trade. Some Western countries would find it difficult to commit themselves to this.

The feeling among Western countries is that although the new draft does not fulfil their maximum requirements, it provides a realistic basis for negotiation and compromise. The Russian view is not yet clear.

Since the resumption of the conference the Russians have been intransigent, insisting upon their own proposals and refusing to discuss anything else first. But this is seen as a tactic and the Russians are expected to accept the neutral states' proposals as a basis for negotiation.

The criticism last week of the Soviet proposals by the American representative, Mr Arthur Goldberg, provoked acrimonious remarks from the Soviet delegation. Many delegations felt afterwards that the insistence on scoring propaganda points was merely prolonging the conference stalemate.

The American delegation also announced last week that it would withhold its own draft proposals. Mr Goldberg said he might present them later this week, but this now seems unlikely, while the neutrals' proposals are under consideration. It is even doubtful whether the Americans will table their draft at all.

Some delegations, including those of some Nato members, have advised against an American submission as it might only provoke fresh polemics and cause further delays.

Black students' school strike is breaking down

From Our Own Correspondent
Johannesburg, Feb 1

Most high schools in Soweto were still deserted today, the first day of the new term, but elsewhere in South Africa there were signs that the five-month-old boycott of classes by students in protest against "Bantu education" was breaking down.

In Port Elizabeth the students' council decided to call off the boycott in townships near by. They said they took the decision in view of assurances from Mr Willem Cruyuagen, the new Minister of Bantu Education, that their grievances would be looked into.

Education officials had been hoping that Soweto student leaders would take a similar line, especially after the week-end call by Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, the Zulu leader, for an end to the school strike.

The only incident reported was the burning of scores of student application forms at one of the Soweto schools.

Israel Christians demand inquiry over conversions

From Moshe Brilliant
Tel Aviv, Feb 1

Protestant churchmen, smarting under allegations in the Knesset that Christian missionaries had bribed Israelis in order to convert them have called for an independent international commission to investigate the "circumstances and considerations" that have led Christians, Jews and Muslims in Israel to change their religion.

The Rev Henry Knight, an Anglican priest, speaking for the United Christian Council, yesterday said that the findings would "pain" Israelis. They would show that converts to Christianity had not been subjected to improper inducements while those embracing Judaism had been under some pressure.

He pointed to statutory regulations that probably motivated some conversions to Judaism. Marriage laws require both partners to be of the same religion and a substantial number of people accepted the faith of their prospective partners in order to marry them.

Immigration and citizens laws discriminated in favour Jews and some people ma have been moved to emb Judaism in order to enjoy benefits. "It will be inter ing to see how the cou here will deal with such bel fits in a person's decision convert to Judaism," Knight said.

The campaign by the Unit Christian Council is part of c for the repeal of a law enact last month which makes it criminal offence to off material benefits to indu people to change their religi The law itself does not mentio Christian missionaries but t sponsor's explanatory note, a remarks by deputies during t Knesset debate left no dou that it aimed at curbing the activities.

The Rev Roy Kreidel, Mennonite and vice-chairm of the council's executive, sa that the churchmen's positio was explained in a memoran dum sent last week to Pr fessor Aharon Barak, th Attorney General.

Malaria counter-attacks

Many of man's most feared diseases, such as smallpox, are disappearing from the face of the Earth. But malaria, following initial successes in its eradication, is striking back.

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This week in *New Scientist* Anil Agarwal reviews the situation: with yet newer drugs undeveloped and vaccination a long-term alternative, malaria might best be controlled by helping people to change their living habits.



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Owen apology to Riyadh angers MPs

A political row has broken out in London over Dr David Owens apology to Saudi Arabia concerning the public executions of a Saudi princess and her lover for adultery.

Labour MPs plan to table a Commons motion. Mr Martin Flannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough) said the Foreign Secretary's apology was "grovelling, humiliating and shameful".

Dr Owen had told the Saudi royal family he regretted that a Foreign Office statement on the couple's deaths had caused offence.

A Saudi Government spokesman said in London: "On Thursday, January 26, the BBC broadcast a news item . . . alleged that a Saudi princess and a Saudi citizen who married were executed because the man did not belong to the Saudi royal family . . .

"To clarify the issues: The sentence carried out was passed in an Islamic court as punishment for the adulterous acts committed by the two accused persons. It is a crime for which the punishment, according to Islamic law, is death. The couple were not married as stated in the news story."

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Ethiopian jet aircraft raided a Somali border town and a village near by yesterday, killing one person and wounding 14, according to the Somali news agency in Mogadishu. The agency said American-built F5s, and Soviet MiG21 and MiG23 aircraft attacked Boroma and the village of Hariad, close to the border.

This is the third air raid reported by the Somalis in the past few weeks. It comes after recent reports that fighting between Ethiopian forces, supported by Cuban and Soviet troops and the Western Somalia Liberation Front (WSLF) has flared up around Harer.

Ethiopia has denied carrying out air attacks on Somalia, but the Somalis reported raids on Hargeisa and Berbera in late December. Somalia claims that the Ethiopians, with Soviet and Cuban support, are preparing a big counter-offensive, including an attack on northern Somalia.

The Ethiopian authorities have, for the first time, spoken of important battles against the WSLF round Harer.

The Ethiopian news agency today reported that an unnamed Ethiopian town had been completely demolished in the recent battle, but it said the Ethiopian forces captured large quantities of American-built tanks, artillery, mortars and other arms that had been used by the WSLF forces. The captured arms included M41 tanks. Some of the arms had Nato or Pakistani markings.

This is the first report that American-built tanks are being used by the WSLF in the Harer area. The United States has refused to supply arms to Somalia, but diplomatic sources say considerable quantities of arms have arrived there by sea and air from Arab countries. These shipments are thought to include American-built tanks, missiles and artillery.

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The Soviet presence in Eritrea has steadily grown since Ethiopia's military leaders ended the country's military relationship with the United States in early 1977 and turned to the Eastern block for aid.

More than 1,000 Soviet military personnel are now in Ethiopia, according to Western intelligence sources. More than 2,000 Cubans and an undisclosed number of South Yemenis are also reported to be in Ethiopia.

Somali officials have repeatedly claimed that these forces were organizing an invasion of Somalia across Ethiopia's south-eastern border. Kremlin talks: General Raul Castro, the Cuban defence chief, held talks in the Kremlin today with President Brezhnev and Marshal Dmitry Ustinov, the Soviet Defence Minister. It was thought that General Castro had almost certainly come to discuss the fighting in the Horn of Africa.—Reuter.

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Vietnam forces 'moving through Laos'

Bangkok, Feb 1.—Vietnamese troops were said today to be moving in large numbers through southern Laos towards Cambodia. Cambodia radio reported "continued acts of infiltration by the Vietnamese", and a well-informed source in Bangkok spoke of "unusual and major movements of Vietnamese troops in southern Laos toward the Cambodian border".

Hanoi radio, for its part, said that Cambodian attacks against Vietnamese territory "have not ceased", but it gave no details. It called for immediate negotiations to "define a lasting friendly border".

At the same time, Cambodia radio announced a rapprochement with Thailand, reporting that the two countries would exchange ambassadors and restore trade. Agence France-Presse.

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Control Organization for East Africa, said here that there was a serious danger to the whole of the region. He thanked the British Government for the two aircraft, which will supplement the fleet of seven airtraft already operating in East Africa and the Horn of Africa.

One aircraft is on loan to Saudi Arabia, to reinforce the anti-locust measures being taken by the Saudi Arabian authorities and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

Spraying from the air is being carried out on a large scale, in support of ground control measures against the hoppers. It is important to destroy the hoppers before they can fly, as control then becomes much more difficult.

He added that the locusts tended to return in cycles of about seven years, and a new cycle was now developing. Modern insecticides and spraying techniques were effective.

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Growth of Gatwick, Luton and Stansted airports to meet demand in South East

House of Commons

The White Paper on airports policy published today envisages a fourth terminal at Heathrow, but not a fifth terminal, and a second terminal at Gatwick, but not a second runway, Mr Edmund Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, said in a statement. Expansion elsewhere would be concentrated on certain airports with the intention of shifting the balance away from the south-east, he said.

Mr Dell (Birkenhead, Lab)—The White Paper's main objective is to establish a framework within which airport developments throughout Great Britain should be considered. Its assess the future demand for airport capacity and how this might be met during the period to 1990 and outlines the airport options to be considered for the longer term. The White Paper also considers the noise and other environmental effects of airport development.

Forecasting the future demand for air transport is inherently uncertain. However, the forecasts suggest that airport capacity presents a problem only in the south-east. In the London area, the range is from 66 to 89 million passengers a year in 1990, with the most probable outturn in the lower half of the range, compared with 31 million passengers in 1976.

Our policy for the London area envisages the provision of a fourth terminal at Heathrow, which is to be the subject of a public inquiry later this year, but the rejection of a fifth terminal; the construction of a second terminal at Gatwick, subject likewise to planning procedures, but the rejection of a second runway; improvements to the terminal at Luton to increase capacity to five million passengers a year but no development beyond that point; and additional terminal facilities to cater for four million passengers at Stansted.

Elsewhere, I believe that our efforts to shift the balance away from the south-east will be assisted by a policy of concentration which should make it more economic for airlines to provide services away from the south-east and make it more attractive for passengers to use them.

The White Paper identifies Manchester as the major international airport outside the south-east. It identifies Newcastle, Leeds/Bradford, East Midlands, Birmingham, and Cardiff as principal regional airports. Other airports will continue to cater for local needs and to meet the demand for general aviation.

In Scotland, the Government's devolution proposals place responsibility for airports on the Scottish Assembly. Decisions in respect of these airports will be left to the Assembly.

Environmental considerations, including especially aircraft noise, are a vital factor in the development of airports policy. The White Paper announces two decisions about subsonic jet aircraft which do not meet the requirements for noise certification.

United Kingdom operators will not be allowed to use newly acquired aircraft of this type after September 30 this year. All such aircraft on the United Kingdom register will be banned from January 1, 1986. The Secretary of State for the Environment will emphasize to local authorities the need to avoid the building of houses in those locations experiencing most noise.

He will also be proposing modifications to the Town and Country Planning General Development Order designed to bring major developments at British Airports Authority airports within the normal planning controls.

For the longer term, additional capacity will almost certainly be required for the London area, but no decisions have been taken about how this might be provided. The options include: a new airport, a major development of Stansted beyond the four million passenger capacity indicated in the White Paper, or the conversion of a military airfield to a civil airport. It is proposed that all three options should be examined, within an appropriate formal structure which will be discussed with the local authority associations.

I believe that the White Paper provides a sound framework for the future development of our airports. Of course we are dealing with a fast-moving industry, and the Government will continue to develop its policy in consultation with those concerned.

Mr John Nott, Opposition spokesman on trade (St Ives, C)—Our first impression is that the proposals may suffice to meet traffic demand until 1984-85 but the White Paper begs the major issue of what happens beyond that date when the problems of accommodating international traffic will begin to tell. Once again it looks as if the major decision will fall to us.

Mr Dell—The White Paper takes the situation up to 1990. It is not sensible in the light of the rapidly changing forecasts we have seen over the last few years in a downward direction as to the amount of traffic likely to be generated to the south-east that we should commit ourselves to vast capital expenditure before it is necessary.

The decisions taken here suffice, according to our estimates and judgment, up to 1990. There will be further decisions to be taken beyond that point. It is better they be taken in the light of firmer information regarding traffic trends.

Mr Russell Kerr (Houslow, Feltham and Heston, Lab)—Will he look again at the proposal for a fourth terminal at Heathrow? After a suitable time for the White Paper to be digested will he listen to representations from local opinion which is hostile at this moment?

Mr Dell—The fourth terminal is the subject of a planning inquiry. Subject to that I must emphasize the necessity for this fourth terminal. We reject a fifth terminal. That will be of some comfort to public opinion.

Mr John Pardoe (North Cornwall, L)—Will Mr Dell confirm that the proportion of total traffic coming to the south-east in 1990 on present forecasts will be about the same as it is now? If that is the case and no further shift is made all the options beyond 1990 will be deeply unattractive.

Mr Dell—It is true that we are assuming that it will be the same balance between the south-east and the rest of the country in 1990 as there is now. To that extent we have not succeeded in finding ways of achieving major shifts of traffic away from the south-east.

It is our judgment that the best hope of developing traffic outside the south-east and therefore enabling people to travel from airports outside the south-east is to concentrate development on a number of specific points. It is those decisions which the White Paper declares. In that way we are maximizing the hope of increasing the amount of traffic outside the south-east. I do not pretend this is easy to achieve.

Sir Derek Walker-Smith (East Hertfordshire, C)—There will be a general welcome for his desire to shift the emphasis from the south-east to the regions. The people of Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire cannot undertake to accept, let alone support, his decision in regard to a four million expansion at Stansted or a five million expansion at Luton.

As to the longer-term options, would he eliminate Stansted from those options and read and read again the authoritative and convincing minority judgment and report of Professor Sir Colin Buchanan on the environmental aspects in the Roskill Commission?

Mr Dell—At Luton, though expansion of capacity to five million is projected, it is also said that that is a limit. In those it is likely to be acceptable to many people in that area.

It is sensible that the resources at Stansted should be used. That is the view of the South-East Economic Planning Council as well as some others. Developments beyond that point are in no way foreclosed by this statement. There are options and they will be considered.

Mr Norman Tebbit (Waltham Forest, Chingford, C)—Am I correct in saying that the decision to limit Heathrow to being a four terminal airport will effectively limit capacity there to 53 million passengers and that that will make inevitable the rapid development of Gatwick up to single-runway two-terminal capacity of 25 million, but that beyond that, for future development in the 1990s—only 12 years away—the only option is a new airport, which could not be ready in time, or very, very substantial expansion of Stansted beyond the four million mark?

Therefore, has Mr Dell not chosen the fourth airport in the White Paper? Is it not Stansted?

Mr Dell—The fourth terminal limits capacity at Heathrow to 38 million, not 50 million. There will be a second terminal at Gatwick which will raise capacity to 25 million and the White Paper sets out three options: major development at Stansted, an entirely new airport or the conversion of a military airport. Mr Tebbit says that an entirely new one is ruled out by the time factor but we do not accept that, and there is another option.

If Mr Tebbit looks at forecasts of air travel in the London area starting with Roskill, down to the forecasts in this White Paper, and considers the changes in economic circumstances since Roskill, the increase in energy prices and the present economic situation generally, he will by no means be persuaded that the forecasts are of the kind to commit any government to development in the London area by way of a new airport or development at Stansted at this time.

That would be an unwise commitment in the light of the information we now have.

Mr Robin Corbett (Hemel Hempstead, Lab)—The decision Mr Dell has announced over Luton and Stansted is a double kick in the teeth to the people of Hertfordshire, especially in my constituency, living under the Luton flightpath.

As the White Paper acknowledges that Luton has the highest number of night flights in the kingdom, will he tighten up the intention to reduce the number of night flights and consider using the stick to the charter operators to compel them to make greater use of regional airports to help local industry as well as tourism?

Mr Dell—Decisions restricting development at Luton to five million will be well understood. The White Paper announces the phasing out of noisy aircraft at night. In addition I have announced a major decision on aircraft noise, phasing out all non-noise-certificated aircraft after June 1, 1986.

The general noise picture, as a result of these decisions, will improve substantially over the next few years and up to 1990.

Sir George Sinclair (Dorking, C)—The forecast that passenger traffic at Gatwick will be multiplied by four by 1990 will cause grave anxiety in my constituency. Will he promise much more stringent measures to try to divert air traffic to the regional airports and at the same time make a more robust attack on the increase in noise which is bound to spread all over my constituency?

The expansion of Gatwick to that figure will mean the urbanization of that part of the Green Belt and a complete urban stretch from Croydon down to the coast.

Mr Dell—I understand his concern about Gatwick and the concern of the people in the area. Undoubtedly this decision will in the short term have an adverse effect on noise at Gatwick. But as a result of other decisions we are making about noise in this White Paper and elsewhere, certainly by 1990 the noise at Gatwick should be improved.

I realize it is a long time but the development of Gatwick has to be an element in this programme. Gatwick has an assurance of a limit in its development placed by one runway and two terminals.

Mr Eldon Griffiths, (Bury St Edmunds, C)—On the grounds of noise and safety many of us believe that the best place to put our main national airport is at a coastal site where aircraft do not need to fly over the homes of people.

When he refers to the military airport does he mean Lakenheath or Mildenhall? On Stansted there will be great resistance in East Anglia.

On Heathrow, whatever decision he reaches will he do it quickly because it is a national scandal that our biggest airport is still regarded as a genuine slum and as a place where the concrete never sets.

Mr Dell—There are many military airports, but I will not select any for special examination today. This is a point put to us by local authorities—that we should examine the availability of military airports. We shall do so as part of the formal structure I have referred to.

Call for a Bill of Rights for Scotland

When the committee stage Scotland Bill was resume Leon Britzan, an Opp spokesman on devolution land and Whitby, C), mov first of two new clauses related schedule to provid land with a Bill of Rights.

He said the rights and fr that would be provided w out in the European Conven Human Rights to which the Kingdom was already a sig with slight alterations ref the fact that some of them not applicable to devolved land because of the limitati the powers of the Scottish bly and Executive.

In passing the Scotland Bi were in effect providing a constitution. Virtually ever constitution had included a Rights.

He personally would wi United Kingdom to hav benefit of a Bill of Rights.

The United Kingdom was in international law by the pean Convention of Human I if no Bill of Rights were and the assembly or ex passed something in breach convention, because Sc would have no internationa tence in that respect, the Kingdom would have to tar can for Scotland as she ha to for the Isle of Man.

The alternative would be t Secretary of State to exerci right not to allow a Bill pas the assembly to become an was preferable for Scottish to reach such a decision, than the Secretary of State.

Mr Andrew Bennett (Stoc North, Lab) said the fault wi Bill and the new clauses we they laid down powers an trains but offered little p guidance as to how the pro assembly was to work in p for the benefit of ordinary in those areas, such as ho jobs, taxes and social se which caused them frustrati

Mr Frederick Silvester (Ma ter, Withington, C) said th clauses were a grave mistak Conservative Party was not mitted to the idea of a B Rights, and they should n invited to accept it by the k door.

The motivation of the clau its likely effect was that would be taking a step f along the road to a Bill of for the United Kingdom.

This is something I stren oppose (he said). It is poss able and it is a mistaken ide trouble with the Bill of Rig that it is vague and general.

The country had in operati three main elements in maint human rights, a vigorous active media, Parliament, an judiciary.

I think (he said) we are an opportunity to deal w minor problem in a bad Bi producing something which-l nately worse.

Mr Russell Johnston (Inve L) said that it would not b sible or wise to provide a B Rights in Scotland only. To enshrined in legislation produce the political motive for something to be done i remainder of the United Kin and that was an argument fo a step for those who favou Bill of Rights.

One of the favourable aspe including the new clauses wa they would provide one o essentials of a frederal appa which was a framework of protection for human rights, to the Liberals was a sensible to do and paved the way fo ther improvement in the Bill

Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Birmin Perry Barr, Lab) said the important part of the Bil of R proposed was the article referred to the right to freedo expression and to receive an part information. The right receive information was a sug right. It was about the only guard left for democracy.

He would like to see the Sc Bill being used as a pathfinde the rest of the United Kingdo this sole respect. It was a t thing to put in the Bill. T Scottish Assembly was going set up, and he was not sure he would cast his vote at third ing, he wanted it to be a mod democracy.

Mrs Winifred Ewing (Moray Nairn, Scot Nat) said she would support the clauses.

The Scots were adequate to with human rights, but that di mean that because there w good situation it could not be tered. She regarded the Bi Rights as a step forward.

Sir David Renton (Huntingdonshire, C) said that they become parties to and had rat the European Convention Human Rights. They found the Scottish Assembly was n be bound by it and that was s a matter which must be dealt There was surely a need to en that the Scottish people had rights.

Mr John Stokes (Halesowen Stourbridge, C) said the ordi Scottish people might in time to fear the Scottish Assem They should have safeguards the liberty which had been t for granted since the Act of Ur

Mr John Smith, Minister of S Privy Council Office (N Lanarkshire, Lab) said a Bill Rights for the United Kingdom being currently considered b select committee of the Hous Lords. It would not be wis come to a decision on the i within the context of the Scot Bill.

The Government had issue discussion paper setting out arguments for and against the corporation of the Europ Convention of Human Rights the country's domestic law.

The effect of the new cla would be to import into the law Scotland the convention so tha could be enforced in the Scot courts. The United Kingd adhered to the convention but not thought it right to impor into domestic law.

If they wanted to have a Bill Rights o fence in the Scot Assembly and entrench ceri rights for the citizens there would be wise to design a specifically for that purpose.

The first new clause was reje by 251 votes to 227—Governm majority, 24.

Rail fares schemes would break pay rules

Mr William Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, said at question time that any scheme by employers to aid employees with commuter fare problems would be in breach of the Government's pay policy and would benefit some employees and not others.

Mr David Crouch (Canterbury, C) had asked what representations Mr Rodgers had received from commuters following the latest round of increases in rail fares.

Mr Rodgers (Teesside, Stockton, Lab)—I have received one petition and about 90 letters since the increase was announced in November last year.

Mr Crouch—Does a move by British Railways to raise fares by 16.5 per cent not worry the Secretary of State at all? Has he any regard for the views of the Price Commission, the Chancellor of the Exchequer and even the Prime Minister on this departure from the 10 per cent rule?

Mr Rodgers—I am concerned about the rising rail fares as every reasonable man must be. I am sorry that in London and the South-east they have gone up rather farther than in other parts of the country.

There is a problem in making sure that fares do not rise when the House does not want the subsidy to rise. It is not only cost, but comfort and convenience that concern the passengers and I am sure the chairman of British Rail is giving attention to these.

Mr John Ovenden (Gravesend, Lab)—Does he not find the attitude of the Opposition opportunist in view of the statement on Friday by the shadow Chancellor (Sir Geoffrey Howe) that the commuters should not expect any handouts from a Conservative Government? Many who represent commuter constituencies are far happier with this commitment to continue subsidies than the attitude that subsidies are not the answer.

Mr Rodgers—In voting against the second reading of the Transport Bill 10 days ago Conservative MPs were voting against the continuing of rail subsidies next year. They may not like it, but there is a great deal ambivalence in the Opposition's attitude.

Mr Geoffrey Pattie (Chertsey and Walton, C)—Many trains are being reduced in length producing serious overcrowding in peak periods.

Mr Rodgers—There is a problem. I have sympathy with commuters to the extent to which they are committed to living where they are and have to travel to work. There is no easy answer which is consistent with not increasing subsidies. Some would seem to wish to have it both ways, to keep fares down and cut the subsidies.

Mr Stanley Crowther (Rotherham, Lab)—The heart of the commuter problem is the fact that many people work too far away from where they live. Will he have words with the Secretary of State for the Environment (Mr Shore) to reverse the new policy of the Location of Offices Bureau and for them to go back to their old policy of dispersing offices from central London?

Mr Rodgers—I am not sure I can make the promise he asks for, but Mr Shore will note it. Many of our problems of travel today have arisen from decisions by successive governments over the years which have not taken account of the cost and time taken in travelling.

Mr Norman Fowler, Opposition spokesman on transport (Sutton Coldfield, C)—What worries commuters is not the Opposition stand on the totally inadequate Transport Bill, but the fact that over the past three years they have had the biggest fare increases in the history of the railways.

Will he consider the suggestion in the Evening Standard and elsewhere that employers should not be prevented by the pay policy from offering any travel-to-work scheme to staff, which would be a constructive way forward?

Mr Rodgers—I understand the search by everybody for an easy way out of a complex problem. It is not only in the South-east that commuters travel to work: they do so in all parts of the country. It is hard to find a scheme that is fair to everyone. It is difficult for people in other parts of the country to put their hands in their pockets to help those in the South-east.

Mr Fowler—That does not require the taxpayer to put his hand in his pocket. It is a constructive suggestion for progress. Surely he must realize the difficulties and will he take the suggestion seriously?

Mr Rodgers—I will take it seriously, but he must face up to the fact that that sort of suggestion would plainly be in breach of the pay policy and would benefit some people and not others. What we must have is a policy which is fair between individuals and groups.

Didcot a symptom of industrial change

Mr William Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, said he did not believe that direct intervention by him was the best way of solving the industrial dispute at the Didcot rail freight depot.

He told MPs at question time that it was unlikely that the dispute at Didcot would have a significant effect on the volume of rail freight traffic.

Mr Peter Temple-Morris (Leominster, C)—The Didcot centre has been set up for three years. During that time it has only had two ill-fated train cargoes of cars from Cowley, one of the prime reasons for it being set up. Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, has described the situation as madness. In view of the considerable loss of jobs by British Rail workers in recent years this situation is unsatisfactory.

Mr Rodgers (Teesside, Stockton, Lab)—I agree that Didcot is underused. (Laughter.) This is not wholly or even mainly because of this particular dispute. I accept there is concern on both sides of the House and I hope the dispute will be resolved but it is not basically a dispute between road and rail, rather it is about the concern felt by many people about the movement of freight away from ports to inland depots.

Mr Michael McNair-Wilson (Newbury, C)—Will Mr Rodgers give an instruction to the Transport and General Workers' Union to allow cars to be moved from Cowley to Didcot by train?

Mr Rodgers—My powers do not extend to giving instructions to the TGWU or anyone else. It is a complex and difficult problem and I think the solution will be found not by direct intervention but by the good sense of those involved. I do hope good sense will prevail.

Mr Ronald Atkins (Preston, North, Lab)—Didcot is not an isolated case. There are many other cases where this is happening. It is not a question of encouraging rail freight but it is attacking the central principle of Government policy which is freedom of choice. It is prevention of freedom of choice in this case. If we are going to invest finance in the latest techniques of British Rail they need to be used.

Mr Rodgers—Mr Atkins has expressed his views forcibly before. He represents a strong body of opinion and concern on both sides of the House. Much as we find it vexacious and even unpleasant this does not have a significant effect on the overall amount of freight carried by rail.

Mr Anthony Durant (Reading, North, C)—Would Mr Rodgers take the point about at least talking to Mr Jack Jones? I understand this Government have close liaison with the trade unions. Why do they not take advantage of this close liaison?

Mr Rodgers—I will talk to anyone anywhere at any time. My concern is to see a solution to this as soon as possible in the most effective way. Although we sometimes assume our own decisions and the acts of ministers are the best way of solving problems, the longer I remain here and in office the more I doubt whether it is the case.

Mr Walter Johnson (Derby, South, Lab)—While it is helpful to have this knowledgable and learned advice from MPs, the correct way of dealing with this situation is to leave it to the parties concerned. I understand this is the subject of discussions between the union leaders concerned and the industry. Leave it to them.

Mr Rodgers—We should look at it both ways. Of course the House is right to be concerned. If it were not, it would be neglecting its duty. But there are means of solving this dispute outside this House and Mr Johnson has made an important point.

Mr Norman Fowler, Opposition spokesman on transport (Sutton Coldfield, C)—It is common ground that both parties want to see conditions of fair competition in the freight transport industry. Action of this kind makes fair competition quite impossible.

Will Mr Rodgers give a clear undertaking that he will personally seek to use his influence to reconcile this dispute and will do this as a matter of urgency?

Mr Rodgers—It is certainly not the case, however displeasing, that this makes the idea of fair competition between road and rail impossible.

Let us get the problem into perspective and see it as a problem of industrial relations. I am available anywhere anytime to help find a solution, but I do not believe positive intervention by myself now is the most likely way of getting the outcome the House wants.

Mr John Ellis (Brigg and Scunthorpe, Lab)—When there are changes in patterns of work people who feel their livelihood is endangered are likely to react. Exchanges seeking to make emotive issues out of this do no good. It remains for the people concerned to sit down and talk to each other, union to union, to work out these difficult matters.

Mr Rodgers—He puts the matter into sober perspective. This is a symptom of industrial change which produces dislocation in the lives of many workers. It does not produce dislocation in the lives of rail workers. It is a dispute which has its origins in the problems of our ports.

Change to kilometres not the top priority

There was no great hustle to move in the direction of changing over from miles to kilometres, Mr William Rodgers, Secretary of State for Transport, assured MPs.

It is certainly not my first priority (he said) and I suggest to the House that it need not worry too much.

He recalled that he had already said there was no likelihood of any change before the second half of 1980.

Mr Michael Neubert (Havering, Romford, C)—Most people would regard a changeover to kilometres as senseless and extremely wasteful. (Cheers.)

Mr Rodgers—Mr Neubert broadly reflects the view of the majority of people. Many people are reasonably relaxed about the idea of going metric one day.

Mr Roger Moate (Faversham, C)—There is no obligation under the Treaty of Rome and recent directives to change from miles to kilometres.

The country is entitled to a clear statement about the long-term intention on whether we are going to change or not. We should not change because the public do not want it. (Cheers.)

Mr Rodgers—I have already said there is no likelihood of any change before the second half of 1980. I have no intention of starting the process of consultation in the near future. I think that is adequate. These are matters the House may wish to discuss from time to time.

Mr Norman Fowler, chief Opposition spokesman on transport (Sutton Coldfield, C)—There is no EEC obligation on us to scrap the mile. Cannot we simply resolve that as no one wants to scrap the mile, we will not scrap it? Why cannot the minister just say that? (Cheers.)

Mr Rodgers—It is true we have no obligation beyond our obligation to adopt the metric system. The House should be relaxed about this. I would welcome a debate on the matter.

Defence of oil rigs

Mr John Loveridge (Havering, Upminster, C) was given leave to present the Naval Defence (Inquiry) Bill requiring the Secretary of State for Defence to set up an inquiry to examine the prospects for improving defence from potential terrorist attack by the provision of missile and other defence systems for installation on British merchant ships and oil rigs. The Bill was read a first time.

Unimpaired right to take further suitable moves to conserve fish

Mr John Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said that in the next few days urgent consideration would be given on how the United Kingdom as a coastal state could properly organize fishing policy. He intended to have discussions with the industry on how to enforce its own self-discipline on conservation matters.

Mr Silkin, in a statement on the recent EEC Council of Ministers meetings on agriculture and on fisheries, said that eventually it was agreed that the green pound should be devalued by 7.5 per cent, according to the following timetable: for beef and pigmeat, a devaluation of 5 per cent on February 2; the additional 2.5 per cent for these commodities, and 7.5 per cent for milk and milk products, to take effect when the Council's decision on prices and other measures for 1978-79 enters into effect; for all other commodities, the full 7.5 per cent to take effect at the beginning of the marketing year for each commodity.

I regard this (he said) as a very satisfactory outcome. It implements the decision of this House to seek a devaluation of 7.5 per cent.

It gives substantial immediate help to the pig and beef sectors, which need it, and it defers the adverse effects on consumers of a devaluation for as long as possible. I estimate that the saving to British consumers as a result of the Council decision, by comparison with an immediate across-the-board devaluation, amounts to some £50m over the next six months—or about £3 on average for every family.

In the Fisheries Council agreement was reached authorizing the Commission to continue negotiations with third countries on fishing opportunities for 1978.

There was less progress in discussions on the internal regime, and none of the major issues was resolved. It was clear early in the meeting that agreement on a definitive common fisheries policy would not be possible, and accordingly attention was focused on the arrangements to apply in the meantime.

The Council was unable to agree to a United Kingdom proposal that the existing standstill arrangements should be continued for a further short period. For my part, I could not agree to an alternative proposal to adopt, on a provisional basis, the Commission's latest proposals on quotas, conservation and enforcement, which would have left side the basic issue of coastal preference and other important issues.

I maintained the Government's position that the elements of the common fisheries policy need to be considered as a whole and not adopted piecemeal.

In the absence of agreement, the Community's so-called standstill arrangement lapsed at midnight last night.

Other member states declared their intention to observe, for the time being, the Commission's proposal on quotas and conservation.

I made clear the Government's intention to take action in accordance with agreed procedures to maintain existing conservation measures. Our right to take further appropriate unilateral conservation measures is, of course, unimpaired. (Cheers.)

I also made clear the Government's intention to continue to work for a settlement which would meet the United Kingdom's essential requirements.

Mr John Peyton, chief Opposition spokesman on agriculture (Yeovil, C)—He said on January 27 he would accept the decision of the House. Why then did he not insist on it—(Labour interruptions)—being carried out in full in the Council of Ministers, at least for all livestock products?

Postponement of action on dairy products, in particular, is an invitation for a further large quantity of totally unwanted imports of butter.

Does he feel that this indicates the likelihood that when future proposals for further devaluation of green currencies are made, if they come from this country, they will be singled out for specially adverse treatment?

Mr Silkin—On the green pound he is slightly wrong. All the motions singled out the livestock sector in particular. How he thinks one benefits the beef and pigmeat sector by increasing cereal prices, I do not know. It had to be settled on an objective, economic basis. That in all we did.

Dairy sector output is at a record level—the greatest in our history. It is not in urgent need and never was. It remains capable of looking after itself.

I agree there will be a large amount of butter coming into this country. That was bound to happen; there is a lot here at the moment; the consumer will benefit.

The producer will get 1.5 per cent deferred devaluation from last year—Mr Peyton did not object to that last year—on April 1 and 7.5 per cent on April 1 or May 1 when price negotiations finish. The farmer will get a 9 per cent increase in price. I think that is worth waiting for.

Mr James Johnson (Kingston upon Hull, West, Lab)—His words about the Government's intention to take further unilateral measures, if needed, sound like music in the ears of MPs with fishing constituencies.

Will he take further unilateral action on behalf of the deep sea fishing fleet with states like Norway and the Soviet Union? We are in deep disaster and we hope he will pay attention to that.

Mr Silkin—It is important that third countries should not be involved in our internal struggles in the Community but that the reciprocosity basis should be continued. I hope that will bear fruit soon.

Mr Jo Grimond (Orkney and Shetland, L)—Is not the fishing position serious? We totally support his stand and believe no agreement is better than a bad agreement.

Is there any prospect in mind and any date when we might take unilateral action?

Mr Silkin—Conservation matters are the most important to be considered. I intend to have discussions with the industry on how it may enforce its own self discipline, as they have on mackerel fishing, with a view to looking ahead in the next few months in particular.

It is worthwhile considering what progress has in fact been made. Eight countries have agreed to it—I hope they will carry it out among themselves—with the acceptance of quotas, and even these are much larger for the United Kingdom than appeared to be the case a few months ago. Although they do not go far enough, they are a considerable move towards the United Kingdom position.

I therefore hope the final moves will take place in a measurable time.

Mr Silkin, answering further questions, said he had over many months tried to renegotiate the calculation on MCAs. It was time the House understood the depth of vested opposition there was from those countries who stood to gain from what most MPs believed was a false method of calculation.

Mr Thomas Torney (Bradford, South, Lab)—Could he assure the House there are no strings attached to the agreement on the green pound that would give support to the new Tory policy of higher food prices in the shops?

Mr Silkin—In the course of the next few months the full basis of the Conservative Party's policy on dear food should be made available to the country. I intend to play my part in seeing this is done. There are no strings.

Mr Peyton—I am conscious that we are going to see a lot more of this kind of misrepresentation at which he is particularly skilled. Why has he failed to take account of the jeopardy in which he has placed the livesock indnstry as a result of his policy?

Mr Silkin—It was precisely to give assistance to the livestock sector—the only part of the farming industry which is in difficulties at the moment—that I suggested a 5 per cent devaluation which on an objective economic basis was the figure the Commission said was the right figure and 7½ per cent was overshooting the mark.

We do not want to see our market taken over by imported foods, but what the Conservatives will have to defend up and down the country is why they advocate an increase in food prices on all commodities right across the board of 6½p in the pound.

Mrs Gwynneth Dunwoody (Crewe, Lab) said it was refreshing to see British ministers negotiating with ruthlessness that was normally only demonstrated by other Common Market ministers.

Mr John Biffen (Oswestry, C)—The grudging reluctance of the German Government to accept a policy which has the authority of this House and which had been moved by Mr Peyton will not have passed unnoticed, and it will have intensified the desire of many of us to see that this House shall have greater authority in the decision-taking process in the Community.

To that end, could he point out to his colleagues in the Community, and particularly to the German Government, the proposition that the prospect of a common price review with the Community that should lead to further price increases for those products which are in structural surplus—cereals and milk—would make a total nonsense and would run contrary to deeply felt opinions throughout this House?

Mr Silkin—The merits of having a higher price policy for commodities in structural surplus at the moment escapes me.

'Secrets disclosure' inquiry sought

Mr Peter Blaker (Blackpool, South, C) unsuccessfully sought an emergency debate on the need for an inquiry into the disclosure in the press of secret matters affecting national security.

He said there was a report in today's press that last summer the identity was disclosed of a man who worked in a top job in Downing Street who was said to be a Soviet spy. The story went on to disclose a reference in conversations with journalists of the fourth man in the Philby affair. It continued by saying that the civil servant involved had been the subject of an inquiry and had been cleared.

This was not the first time that stories revealing what must be secret matters affecting the security of the country had appeared in the press in recent weeks.

Last Monday there were stories which brought into question the efficiency and impartiality of the security service. This was a new departure in the way they dealt with security matters and one which had serious implications.

The Prime Minister should set up an independent inquiry into how these allegations came to be made public, and the facts surrounding them.

Full-scale wave energy trials by mid-1980s

House of Lords

Wave energy offered great potential for the United Kingdom, Lord Peart, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House, said during a debate on the importance of developing alternative sources of energy. In principle some 1,000 kilometres of wave energy devices placed off the north-west of Britain could supply energy equivalent to about half of the country's present electricity requirements.

He said the aim of the wave energy programme was to conduct trials of a full-scale prototype at sea by the mid-1980s.

The potential contribution of wind energy in the United Kingdom was reviewed for the Department of energy by their energy technology support unit. Its report indicated that the number of sites offering favourable wind conditions was limited. Sites were concentrated in the west and north-west, but the use of some of these areas for large wind machines could be unacceptable to the public.

The department had commissioned a jointly funded design study of a large machine with an industrial consortium and the Scottish electricity boards were contributing work to the study. A report on this study was expected shortly and would be considered by the minister's advisory council. In addition the department were providing funds for development work by industry on a vertical axis wind machine. The department planned to examine offshore siting in some detail since this might increase the potential of this energy source.

The Government were also supporting solar energy research and development, but these alternative energy sources must be considered in the context of the country's total energy supplies.

Important though they were they must be seen in perspective. Britain had substantial reserves of oil and gas and large reserves of coal. Coal could be expected to continue as the cornerstone of the nation's energy policy. The United Kingdom could expect, even after the period of self-sufficiency was over, to have substantial indigenous energy reserves.

Lord Wynne-Jones (Lab), who opened the debate, said oil would become less and less available after the turn of the century. Coal would be there in plenty, but if the coal industry had been run down between now and the end of the century it would mean an enormous investment to develop the mines which had been run down or not brought into use.

With one exception the alternative sources of energy did not produce the quantity which would be required. That exception was wave motion. Whereas wind was variable wave motion was practically the same all the year round. If the technical problems were solved there was a valuable source of energy which could play an important part fully equivalent to the part that was expected of nuclear energy.

Lord Strathcona, for the Opposition, said solar power was the biggest potential contributor of all, but it was not yet cost-effective in this country where the solar environment was not all that favourable.

Was it right to spend so much more on nuclear research than on other energy forms? They should devote the money to applied research and not to deep theoretical research where the timescale was too long.

Viscount Simon (L) said he wondered if the needs of the developing nations had been sufficiently considered in estimating world energy requirements in the year 2000. Major additional sources in the timescale in which they had to work must be coal and nuclear power, plus conservation itself.

The Earl of Halsbury (Ind) said the interaction of coal, oil, and nuclear power as alternatives to one another was the reality as opposed to the fantasy which lay at the heart of the subject. The first thing to do was to economize as far as possible on the use of oil. They ought to economize on the use of energy all round.

The Earl of Lauderdale (C) said it was tempting to bask in the sun, swim in the sea and enjoy the waves, but the potential of any of these was relatively small. However, he welcomed Lord Peart's remarks about a further allocation of funds to the development of wave energy.

If coal was to stay the cornerstone of the country's energy policy could this limited target of 170 million tons by the year 2000 be the Department of Energy's last word? In its most recent appraisal of underground gasification of coal the NCB said this was one source of energy which was sufficiently promising to be held open as an option and therefore should be kept under review. It was also a possible means of exploiting coal reserves which might otherwise be unminable.

Viscount Hanworth said the public must be educated to understand that there must be nuclear fission and what the dangers were. The antinuclear lobby seemed to forget the consequences of an energy shortage on the western world and the developing countries and the economic cost of some alternative sources if used on a grand scale.

Lord Collison (Lab) said that in his view and from practical experience the use of solar energy for warming the house was viable and should be taken seriously. He wished more money was being set aside for research.

Lord Strabolgi, Captain, Yeomen of the Guard, said wave power had been seen as otentially the most promising of the alternative energy sources for the United Kingdom. Although it was at an earlier stage of development than most of the others, the Government saw this as one of the front runners.

Parliamentary notices

House of Commons

Today at 2.30: Progress in committee on European Assembly Elections Bill.

House of Lords

Today at 3: Gun Barrel Proof Bill and Medical Bill, third readings, Judicature (Northern Ireland) Bill, committee.

Handling of allegations of corruption in public life

The Government were taking action on special police procedures for handling allegations of corruption, Lord Harris of Greenwich, Minister of State, Home Office, said.

Lord Houghton of Sowerby (Lab) had asked what progress the Government had made in considering the Salmon Report on Standards of Conduct in Public Life.

Lord Harris — Our consultations with interested bodies on the royal commission's proposals as a whole have produced many helpful and constructive comments which are now being studied by colleagues who have responsibility for various aspects of the commission's report. This is a major task which will take some time to complete.

Meanwhile, I hope to be able shortly to inform the House of the action we are taking on one matter arising from the royal commission's report on which legislation is not required. This is the question of special police procedures for handling allegations of corruption, a subject dealt with in part four of the report.

New procedures have been worked out in consultation with chief officers of police which I hope can be introduced in the near future.

Lord Houghton—Does he recall the panic stations the Government went to during the Poulson scandals of 1974? Yet today only the first beginnings of action are being taken. When may we see concrete proposals by Parliament on the commission's main recommendations?

Lord Harris—I cannot give a specific date, and this is not the first action taken on the report.

Sound broadcasting soon

Lord Peart, Lord Privy Seal and Leader of the House, said during questions that, subject to parliamentary agreement, he hoped that regular broadcasts of the House could begin immediately after the Easter recess.

Lord Drumalbyn (C)—Would it be possible to start broadcasting from this House even if it is not possible to get agreement in the Commons on the exact form of parliamentary oversight there?

Lord Peart—I cannot accept that. The Commons will deal with this effectively and the plan we have agreement on will go through.

Lord Campbell of Croy (C)—Can he make clear that, whatever happens in the Commons, the decision in this House is separate and that approval of both Houses is not required?

Lord Peart—No. We should act jointly.

House adjourned, 7.34 pm.

Food poisoning

Mr David Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, in a written reply, said—While the figures are not yet available, indications are that the number of food poisoning incidents in England notified for 1977 will be less than that for 1976. Nevertheless the Government attach great importance to all possible measures being taken to reduce the incidence of food poisoning.

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An application to strike out the action was granted.

In the present case one had to remember that everything depended on the circumstances. Companies, and especially public companies, might often be conducted in a way which was almost beyond the control of any individual. Shareholders had little or no voice in a company's affairs, certainly when a group of shareholders had a predominant majority. All they received was the glossy annual reports which most of them put into the waste paper basket ; and there was an annual general meeting which any shareholder could attend. Control was in the hands of the directors, who were usually a self perpetuating hierarchy, and things would happen to the company and its shareholders which were virtually unaccountable for. In a way no one might ask the directors: *Quis custodiet ipsos custodes ?* (Who will guard the guards themselves ?)

Two or three years ago there had been an illustration of the need for some overseers of public companies. In *Wallerstciner v Moir* ([1974] 1 WLR 991) his Lordship had described grave breaches of company law by Dr Wallersteiner ; and that case was only brought to light by a poor individual, Mr Moir, who had never got any money out of it.

It was because companies were beyond the reach of ordinary individuals that there should be vigilance to see that those in control behaved properly. That was the underlying motive of the legislature not only in sections 164 and 165 of the 1948 Act but also in the latest provision, section 109 of the 1967 Act.

The court had been told that the practice of the Board of Trade before 1962 had been to hear both sides before deciding whether or not an inspector should be appointed and that by so doing it was often possible to bring the parties together so that an investigation was not necessary. Mr Brodie had urged that it was a practice dictated by the common law, which in a case like the present required the principles of natural justice to be applied so that both sides should be heard before inspectors were appointed.

It was not the law that that should be done. The present case was not one of those to which natural justice so called applied. They depended on the circumstances.

As his Lordship had said during argument, it happened frequently that the Stock Exchange suspended dealings in a company's shares ; but they did not have to have an inquiry first. Nor was there any need for natural justice when persons were appointed under section 109 to inspect documents. As the Jenkins Committee report pointed out, if people were prewarned about an inquiry they might if so minded destroy or fabricate evidence.

The inquiry by the Board of Trade was a good administrative arrangement for the good conduct of companies and their affairs. So long as the minister acted in good faith it was not incumbent on him to disclose the material or the reasons for appointing inspectors.

Mr Brodie had referred to the affidavit of Mr Gill, Inspector of Companies, in which he stated that material the Department had before it when the order was made consisted of the inspectors' report under section 109 ; their comments on the books and explanations ; and other information volunteered by an informer relating to the matters dealt with in the same books and papers. Mr Gill said that where the department had received information of value from informers which would enable their identity to be ascertained, the department did not make that material available and it might be withheld on the ground that it would be against public interest. But that did not affect the position in the least. The Secretary of State was empowered to consider all the information he obtained before he made the order and whether or not some should be withheld was neither here nor there.

Finally Mr Brodie said that the minister's decision could be reviewed, and he had cited many cases from *Padfield* in 1968 to *Tameside* in 1977, where the minister's discretion had been held subject to review by the court. Time and time again their Lordships had reviewed the discretion of a minister if it was seen not to have been properly exercised, or if it had been misused in any way and there was material on which that could be seen or no sufficient reason was given for its being used.

But in the present case there seemed no ground whatever for thinking that the minister's discretion had been in any way improperly used. The only ground Mr Brodie could suggest was that "This is such a fine innocent company and has nothing against it at all and therefore there is no reasonable ground for the minister's decision".

There might be nothing against the company ; but could the company speak for all the persons concerned with its management ? Clearly not ; and section 165 was concerned not only with the company itself, which might be the innocent dupe of others. It was the others who had to be inquired into. Many inquiries had been conducted into the affairs of various companies, and in many cases those concerned were accused and findings were made against them without their being heard in their defence.

That machinery had been criticized as being slightly unfair to individuals : maybe those criticisms were justified, but the present was not the occasion to go into that matter for it might be the only machinery available for keeping the public interest intact and seeing that companies were properly conducted. At all events whether an inquiry should be held or not, the minister had power to order it.

On the wide ground that the legislature had decided that the Department of Trade should have power on behalf of the public at large to inquire into the conduct of a company's affairs where there were circumstances which appeared to the minister to suggest such matters as appeared in section 165, the attempt by the company to stop the inquiry was ill-founded. The judge was right to strike out the action and the appeal should be dismissed.

Lord Justice Ormrod and Lord Justice Geoffrey Lane delivered judgments concurring in the result.

Solicitors : Bull & Bull ; Treasury Solicitor.

NEW BOOKS

Ruskin, Pauline and Calverley

A Pre-Raphaelite Circle
By Raleigh Trevelyan
(Chatto & Windus, £8.50)

Ruskin told Pauline Trevelyan that he had written only one letter—to Henry Acland—describing in full the unconsummated course and breakdown of his marriage to Effie Gray and that, as he did not wish to set it down twice, he had asked Acland to send the letter on to Pauline's husband, Calverley. By sheer biographer's bad luck—it had been placed in the wrong file at the Bodleian—the letter did not come to light again until Raleigh Trevelyan had completed *A Pre-Raphaelite Circle*, and it will now be published for the first time in next week's *Times Literary Supplement*.

Whatever its contents—Poor Ruskin !—its absence in no way reduces the quality, value and importance of this sparkling book. *A Pre-Raphaelite Circle* is more selective, better organized and richer in every way than Mr Trevelyan's earlier digest of family papers—Ingham-Whitaker, that time, not Trevelyan—*Princes under the Volcano* (1972).

He has a flying start. There was a warmth and confidence about the middle of the nineteenth century that was often missing at its end. Pauline Trevelyan is a far more attractive heroine than the *fin-de siècle* sourpuss Tina Whitaker, Pauline's gentle Calverley a more positive husband than *Tina's gentle Pip*. There is above all, the noble, difficult and tormented Ruskin, and a whole supporting cast of characters—Acland, William Bell Scott, Charles and George Otto Trevelyan, Thomas and Jane Carlyle, Rossetti, Hunt, Woolner, Burne-Jones and more—variously wicked and witty, gifted and good.

Mr Trevelyan has often displayed a deceptively austere relish for gossip and the delicately bizarre: applied to the Whitakers it sometimes seemed trivial, but turned upon this lot, the effect is both fizzing and to the point. Many of them turned up sooner or later at Wallington, the Trevelyan house near Newcastle, improved by the architect Dobson, decorated by Scott and anyone else who dared to foliate a spandrel or flick in a Gothic weed. (Ruskin never finished his). All of them wrote letters or kept diaries, many of which, used here, have not been published before. Even the least of them wrote well: Ruskin told Pauline that he was going to "explode printing" as the source of all modern evil, but when we read books like this, we can only wish to blow up the telephone.

Mr Trevelyan has even produced a Lyceum villainess for our entertainment. Lady Eastlake not only attacked Ruskin with vicious anonymity in the press but took Effie, by then a productive Mrs Millais, to one of his public lectures in the hopes that the sight of them would make him break down, which it did. It was Lady Eastlake's mother who called Calverley a "Hamadryad" which, Mr Trevelyan points out, means, either a wood-nymph in a tree, or a cobra. Since the former would be a distinctly subtle—not to say Twenties—form of insult for 1854 and the latter so inapt as to be no longer insulting at all, he suggests that what Lady Eastlake's Mama had meant to say was "Hermaphrodite" by which she would have meant homosexual.

Sir Walter Calverley Trevelyan was shy, refused several chances of a public career and threw Swinburne's French novel on the fire. He was enormously attached to fossils and geology, to railway technology (he built two branch lines) and to practical social reform for the tenants on his estates. He was a pacifist who wrote furious letters to *The Times* on the British revenge after Cawnpore and on the shocking and unprincipled break into China ; a teetotaller, Calverley had gout.

There is no doubt that he and Pauline made a devoted, if unlikely, couple—an example in the difficult, daily art of marriage to several of their no *worse-suited friends—but Pau*line enjoyed at least one intense female relationship (with Louisa Stewart-Mackenzie, later Lady Ashburton) and Calverley may have felt an undeclared fondness for the damp figure whose presence raised eyebrows of puzzlement from sharper-eyed guests and was unpleasing to Pauline. "It is Mr Wooster", wrote Augustus Hare in his diary,

who came to arrange the collection of shells four years ago, and has never gone away. He looks like a church brass incarnated, and turns up his eyes when he speaks to you, till you see nothing but the whites. He also has a long, trailing moustache, and in all things imitates, but caricatures, Sir Walter. What he does here nobody seems to know ; the Trevelyans say he puts the shells to rights, but the shells cannot take four years to dust.

Pauline Jermyn was born in 1816, the daughter of a Peacockian Rector who later went bust and happily ended his days on an island near Garibaldi's birthplace. In 1835 she married Calverley, then heir to Sir John Trevelyan, the adoring octogenarian patron of the Clara



Pauline Trevelyan, 1865, by William Bell Scott.

Novello. She was a tiny, energetic woman, Tractarian by faith, republican (mildly) in politics ("Don't you think we shall live to see the last Austrian Emperor hung ?" wrote Swinburne to test her, in 1859).

She was a passionate and informed lover of painting and wrote long, apparently intelligent, reviews for the *Scotsman*. Very much of her generation in commending the virtues of "vigour" and "manliness" in life and art, she never seriously demanded either of young Algernon, whose genius both moved and alarmed her and whose "good angel" she became. It is true she enjoyed "taming" wild artists but she was never a head-hunter for the sake of hunting heads. She suffered fearful ill health much of her life and was only 50 when she died in the Hotel Bellevue at Neuchâtel, Calverley holding one hand, Ruskin the other.

Ruskin's description of the scene, in a letter to his mother, is simple, graphic, filled with immediacy, presence and grief. Swinburne, too, was shattered by Pauline's death. Years later he wrote of her "half-humorous goodness, grave-eyed mirth"—qualities nicely suggested in Scott's portrait—and compared her to "a song that shone, a light whence music rang". Calverley, in the manner of High Victorian widowers, could not bear the loneliness for long and married one of Pauline's closest friends. She, of course, had married him for the same reason, and died the day after his funeral, in 1879.

Ruskin, with Pauline and Calverley, stands at the heart of this absorbing book—like a singed angel, wrote a mutual friend, who had fallen by chance into their sphere, concealing (only just, we might add) the wings under his coat. During an earlier illness he had promised to write Pauline a short note every day until she was well enough to reply, and did so, keeping them light, funny, extravagant, even silly, since he was at the time engaged in reasonably innocent romping with the eager young ladies of Winnington Hall.

Long before Pauline's death he had become absorbed in his love for the adolescent Rose La Touche. Again, Pauline was confidante. "Seriously", he wrote on December 28, 1862, "it is sorrowful work enough this, turning oneself upside down like a cake on the hearth—when one is within seven years of fifty." "If you have anything spiteful or disagreeable that you want to say", he wrote earlier after a blissful evening of dinner, reading, playing music and chess alone with Rose, her sister and brother, "you may write—for a week—care of John La Touche Esq. . . ."

Beside the pain and humiliation of this second great love, marriage to Effie is beginning to look like harmony itself.

Michael Ratcliffe

Well-armed dove

Abba Eban. An Autobiography
(Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £10)

Mr Eban has always been rather outside the main stream of Zionism. He could claim neither the east European background of the pioneers nor the Palestinian birth of the new generation of sabras. He did not, in fact, reach Jerusalem until he was 26 years old and wearing the uniform of an officer in the British army. Although he quickly transferred his active allegiance to the Zionist movement it was his fate to serve the new state of Israel for the first nine years of its existence in America as permanent delegate to the United Nations and ambassador in Washington.

So it was not until 1959 that he was able to plunge into domestic politics. Almost immediately rewarded with a seat in the Cabinet, he became Foreign Minister in 1966, a post which he filled with great distinction through two wars and innumerable crises until four years ago he was unceremoniously jockeyed out to make room for Yigal Allon. He may still reach the top job which he wants and has tried for, but, as he says of other Foreign Ministers who have become Prime Ministers, he lacks "the note of earthy, solid provincialism that makes for full authenticity".

There can be no doubt that Mr Eban has done his adopted state great service. Nobody did more to build up the special relationship between Israel and successive American administrations which ensured the young country's survival. "I ploughed the Washington soil deep and wide", as he truly says. He is particularly interesting on relations with Russia. During his first four years he worked in "close cooperation" with the Soviet representatives—a chapter which, because of later Soviet hostility, is often forgotten, though when he met Gromyko in Geneva at the end of 1973 he was reminded that "since Israel's establishment in 1948, the Soviet Union had adopted a constant attitude and I would not be able to quote a single sentence which would indicate its retreat from the support of an independent sovereign state of Israel".

Mr Eban is reckoned to be among Israel's doves, though a remarkably well-armed and assertive dove. Like others, he has perhaps found it easier to take a more judicious attitude out of office than in it, but his conclusion that "the Middle East crisis, after all, persists not because of an Israeli refusal to evacuate territories, but because of an Arab refusal to make peace" reads oddly now. His heroes include Weizmann, Sharett, Eshkol and Harold Wilson ; his villains Nasser (whom he equates with Hitler), and Bevin, about whom he is hardly rational ("sadistic", "hooligan").

This is not a modest book. Mr Eban records that when he was Foreign Minister he never got a dispatch from one of his ambassadors about an encounter in which he had come off second-best. This amiable weakness must have been catching in the ministry. Here we find Mr Eban continually doing the right thing and being handsomely thanked for it. This is fair enough, since he is still an active politician and his book has to be seen partly as a manifesto directed at the Israeli electorate. For the rest of us it contains a lot of fascinating new information about the past thirty years of Middle Eastern history, some surprising (or perhaps not surprising) omissions, and some very graphic portraits of people and events. As an autobiographical statement in English by a Zionist leader it deserves a place beside Dr Weizmann's *Trial and Error*.

E. C. Hodgkin

In this week's Saturday Review, Paperbacks of the Month—reviews by Philip Howard (on Michael Frayn), Sir William Haley (on Henry James), Christopher Fildes (on Patrick Hutber), Anna Coote (on Judith Rossner).

Fiction

A Woman of Property
By Margaret Blount
(Hutchinson, £4.95)
Snow in Winter
By Margaret Bacon
(Collins, £4.50)
Walter
By David Cook
(Secker & Warburg/The Alison Press, £4.25)
Prissy
By Clifford Hanley
(Collins, £3.75)

Two of these novels deal with the now conventional passage of females from alert child to imperfect adult but Margaret Blount takes this familiar graph and elaborates it with such humorous, angry energy of style that she turns her material to highly original account.

The development of Joan Saxby's biography is defined at each stage of its progression by her residential qualification. Starting at a bungalow with no main drainage, she passes upward to well-built terrace house and arrives, finally and abysmally, at desirable residence in sought after area.

As the daughter of a man whose pretensions exceed his financial grasp though not his reach (the contemporary HP furniture adorning his climactic Bauhaus property is humiliatingly repossessed), Joan absorbs the beliefs that property is security, money solves all and personal opinions are best abandoned in the presence of those more confidently off than oneself. It is a recipe for human obsolescence. Surrounded by dishwashers, extractors and a view over the links, she watches her childhood landscape spanned by flyovers, sunk beneath concrete and reconsecrated to the mighty supermarket. Much of this alteration is effected by the boorish architect husband she married for safety. She is, by the second half of the book, a spectacular drunk.

All this degenerative despair is, however, marvellously intervened by sharply eccentric portraiture. It is above all, a book of characters touchingly and comically interpreted through their possessions. Aunt Julia is a solid ornament amid her gilt furniture and pastel carpeting, a colleague's wife is tenant of her hairpiece, Beryl, an ex-schoolfriend, is the trapped patron of her sculptural carpet and Compacta Kitchen Unit. Rarely have belongings been described with such telling primacy.

Although I think the structure of the book is a little awkwardly contrived, this imaginative perception of character and the vigour of her dialogue show Margaret Blount to be a writer of unmistakeable talent.

Margaret Bacon's novel, which suffers the same disruptive break of nearly 20 years in the life of the central character is considerably less banal than it sounds in summary. The story is of orphan Nell, brought up by the Yorkshire farming side of the family and retrieved by Aunt Thorpe (from the smarter side of the family) to give her a good education and skiing holidays. We later meet Nell in her thirties, a serious, academic young woman, refusing to marry the charmer of the ski slopes and later, rather wishing she had.

The book is redeemed by a decent, competent prose style at its best in the scenes of rural childhood in the Dales. In this section certain episodes and relationships stand apart from the rest of the book but as a whole the novel does not really fuse.

Nell's earnestness as an adult so desiccates the later pages of the novel that the affair with Gregory Nansen (he of the ski slope) is peculiarly pallid and the occasional burst of humour—like Mr Odgers's reflections on the backside of his wife Blossom—seem scarcely to belong to the same text. It is hard to be critical of a book that is so utterly straightforward and honest, but I fear it aroused no deeper sense of engagement.

The actor David Cook confirms his further reputation as a novelist of compassionate insight with his study of the luckless *Walter*. It is chancing the reefs of sentiment—and those of cruel humour—by writing about an ugly, helplessly laughing, backward creature, but David Cook navigates the perils skilfully.

Walter is one of "Jesus's mistakes", the offspring of Eric and Sarah, the advance of whose uncommunicative marriage is plausibly drawn. Sarah's dutiful care of her son is a bitter routine, Eric withdraws into pigeon-keeping. The detailed account of pigeon-keeping is, incidentally, of absorbing interest and the episode of chaos at the Harrogate Fancy Pigeon Show one of the best.

Walter evinces both revulsion and pity, two emotions that change in ascendancy and dimension until brought to a mutual peak of horror at the moment when he is left alone in the world. The last chapters could, but don't, lapse into a coarse condemnation of institutional care. Given the limited range of Walter's understanding—and David Cook judges its confines convincingly—one is left with the sense that the limitations of his environment, appalling as they are, offer a sad, weird security. David Cook's extremely subtle sense of ambiguities, cloaked by a matter-of-fact, confronting style, become more apparent on a second reading.

Prissy, the eponymous 14-year-old heroine of Clifford Hanley's new book is the daughter of Jack Enders, socialist prime minister, and a proper little pain. The blurb says that Clifford Hanley evokes "this bright, indomitable child *with warmth and affection*". Maybe those were his sentiments but she commits one or two barbarities that seem to have a bearing on the running but inconclusive reference throughout the book on the merits of capital punishment and suggest a quite different appraisal of Prissy to me.

This little clever clogs is kidnapped by a motley IRA gang who imprison her in a deserted house where they plan their ransom tactics. I know the world is full of Irish jokes denoting a woefully low racial IQ but I find it hard to believe that Mr Hanley's gang are quite unable to hear a dumb waiter containing Prissy creak regularly up and down the core of the house as she eavesdrops on their plans. Only slightly less plausible is the notion that having escaped, she pursues the gang alone rather than return to Number 10. It would, however, make good, if bloodthirsty reading for other 14 year olds.

Jacky Gillott

Lost prodigy

Gilbert Cannan
A Georgian Prodigy
By Diana Farr
(Chatto & Windus, £8.50)

One summer during the First World War, as a young schoolboy, I might well have met on those South Cornish cliffs seaward from Ruan Minor a tall, thin, fair-haired man with a Roman nose. He would have been Gilbert Cannan, the novelist, then 33; this, ironically, was the remoteness where Bernard Shaw had stayed more than a decade earlier.

Ironically; because the men were at odds. Today, for most people, Cannan is simply "Gilbert Gunn" from the Induction and Epilogue of *Fanny's First Play*. It would have been obvious in 1911 that Gunn, overbearing, dogmatic, and "pitching into the older intellectuals", was the anti-Shavian drama critic for *The Star*.

Cannan died in 1955, aged 71. For 30 years he had been in mental asylums near London, the husk of a lost prodigy, among the most prolific and potentially major writers of his world. Blind oblivion that swallows cities (and critics) up would overwhelm him. Yet as early as a morning in 1908, when he was 23, he was one of the eminent dozen in the extraordinary cast of a copyright reading of Barker's *Waste*. Mrs Farr omits this, though I imagine she has used practically everything else: she does say that Cannan was honorary Secretary of the Society for the Abolition of Censorship.

He was not an actor, yet his behaviour seemed innately theatrical. He did become a professional for a few months during 1917 when (after an "explosion of insanity") he acted for a few months, as "Nicholas Bly", at the Birmingham Repertory Theatre. "Without the theatre I shall die", he had told John Drinkwater. He had been a drama critic, and he wrote a durable book on the stage; several plays also, though I doubt whether *Miles Dixon* or the brief *Everybody's Husband* are considered now.

For that matter, his score of novels have been only for collectors. Their people, as Mrs Farr shows, are often portraits; Cannan had a precise memory for conversation. In an Olympian article, comically convoluted, Henry James chose as the four young writers of the day Hugh Walpole, Compton Mackenzie, D. H. Lawrence, and Cannan; with hindsight, an odd quartet.

Until darkness fell in 1923 Cannan's life had been feverish. He knew so many, did so much: not, one feels, a winning personage, but at this remove we have to guess. He was certainly complex: sardonic, affectionate, reserved, extrovert. His name lingers as the co-respondent in J. M. Barrie's divorce: he married Mary Barrie (Ansell), twice his age, and they lived for a while at Black Lake Cottage, with its *Peter Pan* associations, among the pines near Farnham. The marriage crumbled after nine years; Cannan had still another chaotic period before curtain-fall.

Mrs Farr, a distant relation, has written a loyally thorough book; so detailed that, as in a canvas by Frith, we can lose our way in the crowd. Everyone seems to be here, and all (in Max's words) "make remarks highly characteristic of themselves": Galsworthy, the Lawrences, the Middleton Murrys, Compton Mackenzie, Mark Gertler, Lytton Strachey, Ottoline Morrell, H. G. Wells, Granville Barker, too; and, of course, Shaw, who had no more reason to admire Cannan than "Gilbert Gunn" had to admire him. Strange now to think of their ghosts on the lonely cliffs of the Lizard.

J. C. Trewin

The system

Albany
Birth of a prison—end of an era
By Roy D. King and Kenneth W. Elliott
(Routledge, £8.25)

How was Albany prison transformed in the short space of six years (1967-1973) from a friendly relaxed "showplace" into what the papers loved to call "The Jail of Fear"? King and Elliott might have had other research problems in mind when they first gained access to the place in 1967 but that was the question which understandably came to dominate their work.

They claim to have found an answer in Albany's rapid change of status, in its shift from a medium-security to a maximum-security prison following the Radzinowicz Committee's recommendation of a policy of "dispersal" for dangerous long-termers. It wasn't just the additional physical defences—the dog patrols, the electronic locking systems, the higher fences—which produced the trouble (although as the authors point out, prisoners' morale is not exactly lifted by the sight of new walls growing up around them). It was also the need to abandon other features of the regime : the two-shift working system which kept a clear division between industrial and social life, the extended periods of association between prisoners.

The emphasis in the first half is heavily upon the administrative side. Even if remain in the forefront. The prisoners who pop up here and there are rather like ratings in British war films ; they provide a few irreverent comments on the formal proceedings and then quickly disappear below decks leaving the real business to the men on the bridge.

Matters improve when King and Elliott get down to studying problems of adaption in the prison, the ways in which *people make the long days pass*. We not only get information on both sides here, the prisoners and the men who guard them, but also learn of the convergences in outlook between them, and how both sets of attitudes changed as the prison got tougher and more security minded.

This is a brave book : the Home Office has something of a reputation for interfering with prison research and the post-script to this book does little to improve that image. They obstructed the authors' attempts to contact ex-Albany prisoners, took seven months to come up with any comment on the actual text, and then said it wasn't reasonable of them to comment on policy in relation to Albany because this was still "evolving". (Perhaps the Home Office could provide some examples of social institutions which are not "evolving"?) Thankfully the authors finally decided, "on the principle that facts are sacred but criticism is free, to make no changes whatever".

This doesn't mean that their book is especially radical. They dispel a few myths ; in particular, the idea that the principal cause of the trouble in Albany was a small group of evil category "A" prisoners, and provide disturbing evidence on the use of segregation cells ; at one time the number of "subversive" prisoners held on Rule 43 reached "the staggering total of 67, a fifth of the Albany population". But they tend to take the prison system for granted and obviously believe that many of its problems could be resolved by better management. So they have little to say about the endemic pains of imprisonment and even less about the value of prison for the men they interviewed.

Despite such timebound cautiousness it is an honest detailed and thoroughly critical account of how a self-consciously liberal regime degenerated within a few years into a system which corrupted and brutalized both staff and inmates. And whether the lessons to be drawn from such a story are reformist or abolitionist, we should be grateful that it has been narrated so competently.

Laurie Taylor

Change in a generation

Mary Chamberlain

Arabian Time Machine
By Helga Graham
(Heinemann, £7.50)

Helga Graham set herself two objectives in writing *Arabian Time Machine*. The first was to create a portrait of an Arab society devoid of western stereotypes. The second was to record a community in change. Oral evidence was an obvious method.

The state of Qatar has undergone extraordinary changes. The West had centuries to nurture and adapt to industrial development. Qatar has had a generation. It would be surprising if it did not have problems. Certainly Dr Graham's informants display confused *and contradictory attitudes* capturing the point where ancient values have not been fully assimilated with those imposed by a new technology. This sociological jet-lag is especially highlighted in the attitudes towards and of women. Even for the most "liberated" of the young girls, family, tradition and religion are strong. "*I had a very high* status as a doctor", says Atiqa, "while my personal life was very restricted . . ." "Tribal women . . ." muses an educational headman, a Bedu, "had more freedom in their villages before they moved into the town. What was the village? Some villages had just 10 houses and all the people living there were related to each other. They were as one family, although each household was independent. The woman could be free with her relations."

Of course the old way of life—of the pearl divers, the bedu, the slaves—has virtually disappeared. Technology is creating new jobs and new demands and with a new urgency. The theme is familiar; the methods of highlighting not so. The interviews impose an immediacy and an intimacy which is fascinating and compelling.

Nevertheless, two questions must be raised. First, it may be that the Qatari Government is as benevolent and wise as the respondents uniformly declare, that life now is far better than previously. Has everyone, however, benefited equally? It may be so, but there also seems an imbalance in the sample—in favour of the young and the new, and in favour of the professional and successful. Secondly, Dr Graham does not claim to the "truth" in a "scientific or *academic historical sense*". Nevertheless, to overlook Israel in the map of the Middle East which forms the frontispiece of the book is an odd omission and one which could raise questions that go beyond mere academic truths.

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Fashion

by

Prudence Glynn



Above: Carmel Jackson, second-year student at the Liverpool Polytechnic where she is studying fashion design.

On her face: Estée Lauder Greened White Under Eye Primer to blot out under eye circles, £2.75. Pale Cream Skin Tint, £4.00 from Cosmetics à la Carte, 16 Motcomb St, W1 who will match your skin colour exactly and mix the precise colours you want. Available by mail order. Helena Rubenstein Silk Finish translucent pressed powder £2.25. Estée Lauder Freshwater Rose Blusher £3.75. Estée Lauder Automatic Creme Eyeshadow, crystal peach £3.75. Helena Rubenstein Silk Dust Accent Powder, silver £2.75. Max Factor Swedish Formula Purified Eyeshadow, copper beech, £1.10. Eyebrows, thickened by painting in with individual tiny strokes—with a brush or a fine pencil. Estée Lauder eyebrow make-up kit, £3.50, containing eyebrow pencil, sharpener, and an eyebrow brush—auburn/light brown. Estée Lauder Tender Lip Tint, brandied cherry, £2.10, Automatic Lip Shine, cherry tea, £2.75.

● Joan Price's Face Place is having a special promotion at Selfridges (on the third floor), from February 6-18. Eighteen manufacturers have given cosmetics so customers may experiment to their hearts' content or have a free make-up from the manufacturers'—or one of Joan Price's—make-up girls. The intention is that women should be able to discover which products suit them best without any pressure to buy. You may also try out products in this way throughout the year at Joan Price's Face Place, 33 Cadogan St, SW3. 589 9062.

The clothes: Straw shepherdess hat with black velvet ribbons from Christian Dior Chapeaux, about £26 from Harrods and Cresta, Harrogate.

Sheridan Barnett and Sheilagh Brown, previously of Quorum and Coopers and now with their own business have produced another beautiful collection for spring. The colours are fin de siècle—black, yellow, white, grey—and, like Beardsley in his illustrations for *The Rape of the Lock*, they evoke the extravagance and grotesquerie of the eighteenth century.

White silk chiffon blouse, also in black, yellow, and grey, £105 from Casablanca in Hampstead and Brook St, and Elle in Knightsbridge and Bond St.

The skirt has a gathered top on a drawstring which bunches out—neither panniers nor a bustle, but something in between. Tan damask cotton, like heavy tablecloth material, also in yellow and white, from Casablanca, £74. Moire ruched jacket, £112, black, gold, cream, grey or white from Casablanca.

● At the Victoria and Albert Museum an exhibition of William Morris textiles has just opened, showing pictures of his workshops and describing the production processes. Open until July 16.

Photograph by Clive Arrowsmith, make-up by Sara, hair by Leonard.

The weapons of war and the dress of peace

"Fashion is not a trivial matter, as is commonly supposed. It deserves the close attention of statesmen and sociologists. Men who patronizingly refer to it as merely a feminine fancy, and a sign of women's superficiality, reveal that they themselves are purblind pedants, skating over the surface of life in ignorance of its depths. The more deeply that history is studied, especially the course of war and revolution, the clearer becomes the importance of fashion in dress.

"The idea that the fashion turns on women's whims is as mistaken as the belief that it is decided by the big fashion houses. These can launch a style, but whether it catches on or not is a matter that lies outside their power and often outside their ken—if they had a better understanding of the cause their losses would be lighter. Equally mistaken is the charge, often levied against women, that their changes of fashion are evidence of their shallowness. Details and trimmings may be due to the play of fancy, but that is not true of the more basic changes. These only occur when women are moved by profound influences and show their responsiveness to the deeper political currents."

The credo of these passages will be familiar to readers of this page. The author may be less expected. Sir Basil Liddell Hart was regarded as the foremost military critic in Britain—and probably in the world—between the wars. But when he died in 1970 his obituary, while mentioning his invention of an unorthodox way of bowling googlies which knocked out rival prep schools' teams and his devastating knack at croquet, did not cover the fact that he and his wife were founder members of the Costume Society, that he is referred to in *Museum Piece* by James Laver as one of the principal costume authorities in England, or that along with his library of military history he built a fine and highly personal library of fashion.

That library, together with copies of his own writings on clothes and manners, and files and files of newspaper clippings—which show that his interest in fashion (and his reading of *The Times*) remained fresh until his death—has been bought by Liverpool Polytechnic, largely through the tenacity and perception of Charles Metcalfe, head of the fashion and textile department there. In 1973 Mr Metcalfe discovered the existence of the collection through a family tie and also heard that the military history archives were to go to King's College London. He therefore approached Sir Basil's widow, but at that stage she wished to keep the costume section since it was something that had been built up as a joint interest.

In 1977, however, Lady Liddell Hart wrote to Charles Metcalfe and asked if he would like to have the files of newspaper clippings and the copies of the fashion essays written by her husband. The collection of fashion books had been given to Sir Basil's son to dispose of. Mr Metcalfe hoped that the collection might be kept together: two possibly interested parties, the Victoria and Albert Museum and the Courtauld Institute did not make an offer, for various reasons; so after discussion with the librarians at Liverpool, the collection has been bought for the Polytechnic. It arrived on January 10.

There are approximately 350 books in the fashion collection, and while many of them are not unusual or rare, they do form a highly personal selection. Sir Basil was interested not only in dress and its essential place as "The Barometer of the Human Climate" (1944) but in the feminist cause as well. Packed alongside St Laurent (not Yves, Cecil) on the history of underwear, or the most delicious books of sketches and cartoons by Charles Dana Gibson—how similar his style is to Brock and Helleu—or *Dress and Undress* by Iris Brooke, or Shaw Desmond's *London Nights of Long Ago*, or a copy of *Nursery Life 300 Years Ago* by somebody just called Crump on the jacket, one finds *The Defeat of Woman*, by Mary Moore, *Wasted Womanhood*, by Charlotte Cowdroy, and *The Useless Sex*, by Oriana Fallaci. *Muffs and Morals*, by Pearl Binder (Lady Elwyn Jones), is next to *Women are here to Stay*, by Agnes Rogers.

Some of the books are unusual. *Plages de Bretagne et de Jersey* is delightful, put out presumably by the equivalent of the tourist information office and filled with unintentional fashion information in its pictures of blithe holidaymakers. A copy of *Beeton's Young Englishwoman*, "a family and household journal for Ladies"—dated 1875 and costing ninepence—contains the free paper patterns which have usually been lost from such magazines by now. Interestingly, the patterns to send away for are quite expensive—three shillings. Then there is the indomitable Mrs Merrifield writing, in the "Railway Reading" series, two-and-sixpence, on fashion, as well as on painting, water colouring, and other suitable railway topics.

A number of the books are scrapbooks, sometimes filled in on Letts Diaries dated 1867 and containing jokes, features, and lots of cut-out pictures, all with the fashion theme. False hair, and the losing of it was much to the fore in humour, it seems, and there was a lot of fuss made by the Chamberlain about the length of ballet dancers' frocks—"the existent improprieties of stage costume". Not everyone thought the Chamberlain was wrong, however. Stuck into the margin of one page is the acid comment: "Mr Lowe's additional tax upon those who wish to display their arms on public is wise and politic. What a pity though he did not extend the impost to other extremities. In these days of burlesque the national debt might be paid off in no time."

The files of newspaper clippings are equally rewarding—especially one dated July 1960, in which Daphne Guinness of the *Daily Herald* headlines her story on the French haute couteur with "Oh; Dior, this was disaster" and goes on "I say to Yves St Laurent 'Don't Expect Me to Become a Laughing Stock by Wearing Your Clothes'".

"If M Dior wants to make women look like the daughters of Dracula he can get on with it. But I won't help him" roars the doughty Ms Guinness. "And if any other woman does, she deserves every bit of derision that comes her way. What Dior dished up yesterday was nothing short of catastrophic. Briefly, were *straight* from shoulder to thigh, and there we burst into a gathered balloon."

It was in 1960 that Yves St Laurent, who had taken over as the darling successor to Christian Dior but had already alarmed the customers and the House by his radical ideas, was finally scooped up for national service in the French army. He never came back to occupy that particular throne, though history has proved him regularly the most perceptive of social barometers in dress. Indeed Ms Guinness' paper collapsed not long afterwards, so one can quite see why Sir Basil, with his preoccupation for all that fashion implied, clipped the piece. He was convinced that straight dresses and a lack of curves and amplitude were bad news, economically, politically, and militarily, for they portended a frenetic unrest, discontent and social upheaval. Sir Basil indeed saw the tight waist and rigidly corseted silhouette as symptomatic of continuity, confidence and the optimum settled condition in society. He cites as instances in his essays Minos and Spain in the sixteenth century, and predicts the New Look.

This evening, Sir Denis Hamilton, Chairman and Editor-in-chief of Times Newspapers, will open the Liddell Hart room at King's College London, which houses the collection of military history bought from the estate. The action is particularly appropriate since Captain B. H. Liddell Hart, as he was most familiarly known, was military correspondent of *The Times* and principal adviser on defence from 1935 to 1939.

Thus today should provide the opportunity to consider both the better and less well known work of a remarkable man. It shows a nice balance of thought; a chronicler of war who could see the hope of peace in a trim waistline.

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ttraction of the drama of us is the rescue of by his minstrel Blon-here spends most of his time pretending to be blind until he can organize the arrest of the monarch's quite kindly jailer (named Floresman!—this is a pre-Revolution, pastel-shade *Fidelio*). Blondel, as befits a character who is a professional singer, has most of the attractive music, his serenade to the King, his Moorish song (almost a foretaste of Eboli in Verdi's *Don Carlos*), and more besides. At Nottingham he is ably sung and played by Michael Bulman, a likeable figure on stage, one of several talented English Music Theatre members now obliged to find employment as actors (the withdrawal of public subsidy from that company still rankles).

King Richard is strongly played by Ian Kennedy, a tall, commanding figure with a soft-grained, but firmly projected tenor voice which dealt vitally with the King's first air, grandly busy, disturbed and expressive, imaginatively scored. His duet with Blondel was also a moment of real dramatic impress, the voices sparking each other off.

Grétry's opera includes many other characters, such as an elderly peasant couple celebrating their golden wedding (the husband looked too young even for a paper wedding), a bridal Princess for the King, and a Welshman incompletely named Sir Williams. Michael Rennison's production was fairly skilful, not as dynamic as the score suggests; the dialogue was throughout clearly and intelligently spoken. Paul Goodwin's conducting yielded strong and firm results.



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Christopher Bruce and Lucy Burge

Tetley returns to allusive poetry

Ballet Rambert
Manchester

John Percival

Glen Tetley's new ballet *Praeludium*, given its first performance on Tuesday at the Royal Northern College of Music, is set to two early pieces by Webern, the String Quartet and the Slow Movement for the same instruments, both written in 1905. That is three years before the Passacaglia which became the composer's opus 1, but it is not for any lack of quality that they are excluded from the official canon, only because his mature manner was not then formed.

They are both very romantic, delicate and reflective, warm but not fulsome, given highly attractive performances by four players from the company's own chamber orchestra, the Mercury Ensemble. Under their influence, Tetley has broken from the striving for big effects that marked much of his recent work, returning to the allusive poetry of an earlier and, perhaps more individual style.

The Quartet, which lasts about 17 minutes, is set mainly as an expressive duet for Lucy Burge and Christopher Bruce, with some interventions from three other couples.

Miss Burge, with the three supporting men (and, briefly at the end, their partners) sustains the Slow Movement, itself 10 minutes in duration, which forms a prologue.

The choreographic style makes splendid use of the two principals' expressive quality in slow, sinuous movements. She, dressed in a flame-coloured dress, is clearly the consoling spirit of the work, her arms composing themselves frequently into a benediction. He is dressed in a darker red, close to the colour of dried blood, and at his first appearance moves with slow, dragging steps.

The relationship between the two dancers is a reversal of the one in a typical dance duet. Even when he lifts her physically, it is she who is emotionally the supporting part, seeming to draw him up from the floor towards which he sinks.

At one point one of the other men draws Bruce into a fast solo in imitation of his example. But for the most part the speed of the supporting dancers in their brief entries provides a contrast to the central couple. There is a special pleasure in the way Tetley uses small, quick jumps for an effective lightness, including a little hovering step for the men.

In an interview, Tetley has admitted to having a theme in his mind, but would not define it. I would be surprised if it were not something to do with death and rebirth, the idea suggested by a seventeenth-century Latin quotation which Webern wrote at the head of his manuscript for the quartet. That would explain the almost somnabulistic state from which Bruce is gradually awakened, with the others perhaps as angels.

The range of meaning that can be read into such an image is wide, from the awakening of frozen emotions to the resurrection of the dead. There is nothing explicit, at least on first sight, to show how Tetley regards it, but it will be clear that *Praeludium* has a wealth of potential undertones to enrich the dance invention which is itself always fascinating.

The setting, by Nadine Baylis, is another of her dispositions of wire shapes; perhaps that is becoming too much of a mannerism, although I am reluctant to complain of structures that are pleasing and equally apt whether you read them as trees and bushes or tongues of fire.

The ballet was excellently danced. How pleasant it is to see Christopher Bruce once more stretching his gifts against a new role worthy of them; also to admire, in this work and two others on the same programme, how Lucy Burge has blossomed into a dancer of great individual talent.

The changing role of Tennents

At the beginning of January, Ray Cooney laid *Spine Chiller* on the West End chopping block. In May, Michael Codron is launching another new thriller: *Alice's Boys* by Felicity Browne. The hidden link between these events is the firm of H. M. Tennent Ltd, which toured *Spine Chiller* before offering it to Mr Cooney and which discovered Miss Browne before losing her to Mr Codron.

So far as the first show goes, the main question is not how Tennents came to ditch it, but how they got entangled with such a property in the first place. The main question, that is, for older playgoers with memories of that management's heyday under Hugh Beaumont.

Until the invasion of the subsidized giants, Tennents enjoyed a near-monopoly in the London theatre, with first call on all the star talents and a faithful public who had a pretty good idea of what they were buying in advance. However limited in range, Beaumont's shows were made of the best materials, sometimes appearing less as commercial ventures than as princely entertainments devised by the reclusive Medici aloft in his Globe Theatre office. To this day, Tennents remains a byword for a certain kind of glittering, hand-tooled, and exclusively English product.

However, shortly after Beaumont's death in 1973, a majority of the company's shares passed into the hands of an American syndicate headed by Arthur Cantor, a New York Press agent and producer whom Beaumont had enlisted as a fund-raiser and who now succeeded him as managing director. American backers were nothing new to the company: American shareholders were. And from the time of their arrival, whether or not Tennents had a hit on their *hands, their English profile* was gone.

The Beaumont era came to a characteristic end with the 1973 revival of *The Constant Wife*, starring Ingrid Bergman. After that there were successes like *Billy* and flops like *Thomas and the King*; not to mention *Lenny*, an unexpurgated tribute to Lenny Bruce which would have been unthinkable in Beaumont's time. All these shows had in common was their American origin and finance, and a notable absence of the stars who had previously topped the Tennent bills.

To some extent, this vacuum was filled by Joan Plowright and other leading actors who had escaped absorption into the National Theatre, and who formed the repertory company which Tennents installed at the Lyric in 1975 as a West End challenge to South Bank monopoly.

The Lyric troupe was the brainchild of Helen Montagu, formerly general manager at the Royal Court, whom Arthur Cantor had recruited as his joint managing director. For a time it seemed that Tennents were taking on a new lease of life. Here, for once, was a commercial outfit competing with the subsidized theatre on its own terms: abandoning long-running revivals in favour of repertory and new plays, developing friendly contacts with the Press, and investing in the future with grants to young writers and the annual Hugh Beaumont Award for fringe directors. The main fruits of this policy were the rediscovery of Ben Travers with *The Bed Before Yesterday*, and the launching of Felicity Browne with *The Family Dance*; while the revival of *The Clandestine Marriage*, which gave London its last sight of Alistair Sim, was an event which even Beaumont would have approved.



Hugh ('Binkie') Beaumont

After this opening burst of energy, Tennents again lost the initiative. Like so many past experiments, the Lyric season only proved that repertory does not work in the West End. And with no star company, and no smash-hit to follow the Ben Travers comedy, Tennents were reduced more and more to managing outside productions instead of presenting their own.

For Helen Montagu, the crunch came last autumn when her fellow directors decided that the Zeffirelli production of *Filumena* was beyond the company's means. She resigned and took the show to Backstage Productions. As her successor, Arthur Cantor appointed Nicholas Salmon, a young ex-agent who came into management through the Old Vic revival of *The Ghost Train*. Upon this appointment, Tennents' chairman, James Noble, and co-director, K. J. Gillespie, both resigned, thus severing two of the last links with the Beaumont regime.

This story highlights the general precariousness of the modern West End, though in some respects it is anything but new. Successful production companies normally do rely on the flair of one man, and Tennents were ripe for change even before Beaumont's death. Broadway producers have for long held stakes in the English theatre, and Arthur Cantor can point back to the achievements of men like Charles Frohman and Alexander Cohan.

In the past, the commercial theatre has adapted to such altered circumstances and taken financial crises in its stride. Whether it will continue to do so in the subsidized era remains uncertain: especially for management like Tennents which neglect to buttress their reputations with bricks and mortar.

The Tennents story shows that the West End cannot beat the National Theatre at its own game; and that English theatrical taste may go down the drain along with English backers. It also shows that sheer managerial flair can still take a company a long way towards success; and that even under VAT, the most precious asset is an idea. Much therefore depends on the so far unknown Mr Salmon, who has made a start by commissioning plays from Kerry Crabbe and Edna O'Brien: at least, he is doing more than mind the shop between flights from New York.

Irving Wardle

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The two works from Mr Macal's homeland were separated by Grieg's piano concerto, in which John Lill was the effectively flamboyant soloist. I must admit that the piece is one I could well live without, but the attentive sensitivity of the accompaniment did something to keep my sympathies engaged. Here Mr Macal's care over tiny points of orchestration and phrasing was not misplaced, and the work came up with some cool, clean colours.

Mr Macal scored his greatest triumph, however, in the Janáček, and that was not so very surprising, given that the work depends so much on that exact articulation of tight units, of which he had already proved himself a master. It depends, too, of course, on high expressive power and a strong forward thrust and in those respects he was not found wanting. Nor, indeed, was there anything to be questioned in the playing of the RPO, whose vividly characterized wind solos and resonant *tuttis* made this a performance to be remembered.

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Controlling a slick octet with flicks of her fingers, Millie Jackson began by assaulting the audience with Philip Mitchell's "A Star in the Ghetto" and Homer Banks's and Carl Hampton's "If Loving You is Wrong (I Don't Want to be right)"—the latter title encapsulating her thoughts on triangular relationships, developed through monologues on that song and on "All-the-way Lover". Luckily her talents as an actress and as a comedienne leaven the more overbearing moments: poking fun at black women who wear extravagant wigs, she cheerfully admitted the same weakness in herself.

Her hugely powerful voice was heard to best advantage in a couple of adapted country songs, including Tom Jans's gorgeous "Loving Arms", which she prefaced with a wholly typical remark: "I'd like to dedicate this to my husband, wherever he is." Given the chance, she could do more for sexual health than Shere Hite and Erica Jong rolled together.

Sticks and Bones
New End

Irving Wardle

Against strong competition from stay-at-home American radicals, David Rabe returned from Army service to build an unchallenged reputation as the outstanding dramatist of the Vietnam war.

Perhaps it is unfair to Mr Rabe that we are seeing his work so late and out of sequence (*Sticks and Bones* being the centrepiece of a Vietnam trilogy). But at least, he was not writing anti-war manifestos. His work is equally estranged from those who saw the war as a long-running television show, and those who used it to prop up political arguments, whether of Right or Left. In that sense, it has dated no more than the post-1918 German *Heimkehrer* plays to which his trilogy bears a close resemblance.

Sticks and Bones takes the classic case of the soldier's return. David, a blinded war veteran, comes home to his all-American family, violently disrupts the domestic harmony, and finally dies in the living room instead of the battlefield. For him, everything has changed; for them, change is unthinkable. As there is no possibility of dialogue between them, the play occupies two unrelated styles. David, inhabiting a zone of nightmare attended by the fantasy figure of a Vietnamese girl he abandoned, is an expressionist creation. His family—guitar-strumming kid brother, ex-sporting father, and food-obsessed mother—conform to middle-American stereotype, and in fact take their names from a television soap opera (presumably one reason why 96 of the 184 CBS-affiliated stations refused to carry the play).

The division is intensified by the characters' habit of making elaborately explicit statements to convey feelings which naturalism would relegate to the subtext. The play functions as an Oedipal dialogue between two kinds of blindness. David is physically blind and tries to assume the parental role towards the infantile civilians. They, in turn, blind themselves towards their son's condition, treasuring "happiness" above everything else. "Just be happy and home like all the others, why can't you?" pleads his mother, dosing him with Ezy Sleep pills when he goes berserk. And when they finally cut his wrists, in the friendliest possible way, Mother brightly obliges with pads and towels as if she were serving those hungry boys with another round of fudge and orange juice.

The pain and anger of the play have not dated. But now that its public pretext has subsided into history, it does emerge as more old-fashioned than it must have seemed in 1971. Old-fashioned in its ambiguously American attitude to violence; only sexual love, we learn, cured David from regarding the Vietnamese as lumps of meat. Old-fashioned in its treatment of the father, whose soap opera persona is underpinned with tortured soliloquies that link him with Miller's Willie Loman. Old-fashioned in its failure to connect David's erotic dream with the marital aftermath. *Sticks and Bones* is a piece about experience, but good old American innocence keeps showing through.

Partly on the strength of Lawrence Taibman's production, I would recommend a visit to New End. It is an authentic American experience, featuring a definitively panic-stricken head of the household by Don Fellows, with matching matriarch by Pat Starr, and a superbly macabre performance from Peter Weller, who almost succeeds in making sense of David's over-written tirades.

Lo Schiavo
St John's

Stanley Sadie

It is always perilous to judge an unfamiliar opera on the basis of a concert performance, the more so if it is a romantic opera dependent upon spectacular climactic scenes. *Lo Schiavo* by Antonio Carlos Gomes is such a work.

Gomes (1836-96) was a Brazilian who had successes—and failures—at La Scala, mainly in the 1870s and 80s. This work was first planned for Milan, but in fact had its premiere in Rio de Janeiro, in 1889. In the Viscount of Taunay's original drama, it dealt with black slavery in Brazil, then in course of abolition. The librettist, Rodolfo Paravicini, transposed it back several centuries so that the plot centres on the love of a Portuguese conqueror and an Indian slave girl. The male slave of the title is an Indian chieftain to whom she is unwillingly married.

Lo Schiavo is in what we recognize as a late Verdian idiom. Its style is Italian; its exoticism may derive from Brazil, but their effect is no more specifically Brazilian than those of *Aida* are Egyptian. It uses, with some vigour and distinction, the standard operatic armoury: arias with expansive cantabile lines; strong choruses, including one of a dark conspiratorial character for the rebel Indians; allusively recurring orchestral motifs, and, notably, a rich orchestral style, from the sumptuous palette of the prelude to the restrained poetic imagination of the dawn interlude, which starts on low strings then flickers and accelerates into life with delicate trumpets, flutes, harp and high violins.

In the four acts there are certainly two finales, possibly more that might well be theatrically powerful: the second, where Americo's love for the slave girl Ilara is disclosed, and the third, a big choral scene as her ill-starred husband, Ibere, is proclaimed Indian leader. It needed a body superior to the Pro Opera Chorus to show their full force, just as the arias would have profited from more sensitive and more polished orchestral playing.

All praise, however, to Leslie Head for giving us what was noted as the opera's British premiere and for directing it in generally idiomatic fashion, with plenty of fire and with well managed rubato. He does not always round off the big scenes quite convincingly.

Terence Sharpe brought plenty of intensity, expressive warmth and attractive if rather light tone to Ibere's music. Ilara was sung unpersuasively by Shelagh Lawrence, whose voice too readily lost quality under pressure. Derek Blackwell showed good, firm, clean lines in the demanding tenor role of Americo, and Marilyn Hill Smith brought appropriate glitter to the Countess of Boissy's coloratura. Brian Holmes and Brian Kemp supplied the smaller roles competently.

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Cricket

Gavaskar's dismissal drastically cuts chance of Indian win

From John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
Adelaide, Feb 1

Needing 493 to beat Australia in the fifth Test match, and so win the series, India were 101 for two at close of play here this evening. Being a six-day match there are still two days left, so that time is no problem to the Indians, and Thompson is unlikely to bowl. The magnitude of the task is represented by the sheer size the target.

In any speculation upon a side making a fourth innings total to win a Test match, India are never now left out. This, of course, is due to their having made 406 for four to beat West Indies at Port of Spain in 1976, the highest score ever made to win a test match. Gavaskar (102), Vishwanath (112), Armanath (85), Gaekwad (28) and Kirmani were all playing on that unique occasion. In Melbourne last March, in the centenary Test, even England, having been set 463 to win, reached 417. No one, though, has ever made as many as 493 to win.

One day it will be done, no doubt, and there are a great many less likely places for it to happen than the Adelaide Oval. It is a perfect light for batting, and a lovely setting, and the crowd is friendly and the pitch still remarkably good. The drawback, apart from the number of runs needed, is the length of all but the square boundaries. In a bright innings of 29, with which he launched India's second innings this afternoon, Gavaskar hit four fours, three of which he had to run out. In Adelaide's present heatwave that is a lot of running, and it was immediately after the last of the three that Gavaskar was out, caught at the wicket, hooking at a leg side bouncer.

The loss of Gavaskar drastically reduced India's chances. Probably the only way they can do it now is for Viswanath to make a big score; he is certainly good enough for it. He was put down at second slip this evening off Callen, when he was two, but he was there at the finish, when there was still enough of the match left to draw another good-sh crowd tomorrow. It topped 10,000 today, which is useful for a working day in Adelaide.

They saw Simpson get another 50, his fourth of the series, whereupon he announced that for the last fortnight he has been nursing a crack in the little finger of his left hand. His has been a remarkable return to Test cricket: 340 runs from 10 innings, seven catches, a wicket or two and the gratitude of the Australian people for doing what he has. He is probably more popular in Australia at the moment than at any other time in his career—and the irony of it is that several months before Mr Packer took to the road, or the world had even heard of him, he made Simpson the offer of a job.

Among the things Simpson will have drummed into his young side is the value of concentration. At the age of 41 (he is 42 on Friday) he has kept grafting on, as he did in the days when he scored 311 against England at Old Trafford in 1964 and 225 against England here in Adelaide in 1966, and 201 against West Indies at Bridgetown in the year between. By working singles through the short legs or down past the gully (think of Arthur Milton of Gloucestershire) and being a wizard at turning the short single into a long one, he manages usually to keep the scoreboard moving.

For the fifth wicket Simpson and Cosier, a man of ox-like strength, had added 65 when Cosier was flashingly stumped. A direct hit by Gaekwad from mid-off, throwing to the striker's end, ran out Rixon, and two leg before decisions, which India had found so hard to get earlier in this Australian innings, hurried it to an end.

Although he was off the field for most of the time today, Bedi finished with four for 53. His bag for the series was 31, a record for a Test series between India and Australia, the previous best being 29 by Richie Benaud and Alan Davidson in India in 1959-60. Chandrasekhar has taken 28 and Prasanna seven.

India's next Test match will be against West Indies in December, by when Prasanna will be 38. He has come back so often, when seemingly finished, that he is not a man to write off; but I doubt now whether he will play for India again. If not, the triumvirate of himself, Bedi and Chandrasekhar has broken up. The pleasure they have given, the wickets they have taken (656 between them), the guile they have shown, the matches they have won, the mysteries they have presented, the breezes they have harnessed, of divers kinds and divers places, will always make one of the most romantic chapters in the story of Indian cricket.

AUSTRALIA: First Innings 505 (G. Yallop 121, R. B. Simpson 100; B. S. Chandrasekhar 5—156).

Second Innings

G. Wood, c Vengsarkar, b Bedi	8
R. Darling, b Bedi	5
G. Yallop, b Bedi	22
P. Toohey, c Kirmani, b Prasanna	10
*R. B. Simpson, lbw, b Ghavri	51
G. J. Cosier, st Kirmani, b Bedi	34
†S. Rixon, run out	15
B. Yardley, c Vengsarkar, b Ghavri	26
W. Clark, lbw, b Ghavri	1
I. Callen, not out	4
J. R. Thomson, c Amarnath, b Ghavri	3
Extras (b 5, l-b 16, w 3, n-b 3)	26
Total	256

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—17, 2—84, 3—86, 4—107, 5—172, 6—210, 7—214, 8—230, 9—248.

BOWLING: Ghavri 30.1—2—85—4; Amarnath 4—0—13—0; Prasanna 34—7—68—1; Bedi 26—5—53—4; Chandrasekhar 13—0—82—0.

INDIA: First Innings 269 (G. Viswanath 86, W. Clark 5—92).

Second Innings

S. M. Gavaskar, c Rixon, b Callen	29
C. Chauhan, c Wood, b Yardley	32
M. Amarnath, not out	25
G. R. Viswanath, not out	1
Extras (n-b 8, l-b 2)	10
Total (two wickets)	101

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—40, 2—79.
D. Vengsarkar, A. Gaekwad, †S. Kirmani, K. Ghavri, E. Prasanna, *Bedi, B. Chandrasekhar to bat.

BOWLING (to date): Callen 11—1—44—1; Clark 7—2—11—0; Yardley 11—2—30—1; Simpson 2—1—1—0.

Gatting and Roope ease batting problem

New Plymouth, New Zealand, Feb 1.—England's cricket selectors breathed easier here today after half centuries by Roope and Gatting against Central Districts. This went some way towards simplifying the batting line-up for the first Test against New Zealand on February 10.

Roope and Gatting figured in a 101-run fourth wicket partnership, which took England to a commanding 296 for six declared. Central Districts were 29 for no wicket in reply at the close of the first day of the three-day match.

Boycott's decision not to play so that the other English batsmen could have a chance to adjust to the faster New Zealand wickets paid off. Since arriving in New Zealand from Pakistan last week the batsmen, except for Boycott and his opening partner, Rose, have struggled to find their form in the opening two matches.

However, Gatting and Roope showed today that they are finding their touch, and both seem certain to be chosen for the first Test. Gatting, who made the top score of 66, was particularly impressive in only his fourth first-class match since the team left England two months ago.

Gatting, aged 20, came on the tour mainly for experience. He played in the last Test in Pakistan, scoring five and six. The faster New Zealand wickets appear to suit his aggressive batting style and he had an unbeaten 43 in the opening game of the tour to go with today's 66.

The Middlesex player looked to be on the way to his maiden first-class century when he was caught at point off a former Hampshire spin bowler, O'Sullivan. He hit nine fours and one six, and after giving Roope 40 minutes' start, reached his 50 only a few minutes after his partner. Roope played a typically solid innings, also hitting nine fours and a six.

Roope and Gatting's success was offset somewhat by further failures by Randall and Radley. Radley, who joined the party a fortnight ago when Brearley broke his arm, scored 12. He is obviously still suffering from lack of match practice. Randall again looked well set when he was bowled for 17.

The end of England's innings was enlivened by a whirlwind 55 by Old; he hit nine fours and two sixes in his 32-minute knock. Old and Gatting's swashbuckling batting gave Willis the chance to declare an hour before stumps.

Jordan was the pick of the bowlers. He took three for 38 in 13.1 overs, worrying the England batsmen with some early swing. When the home side batted Anderson was dropped at slip in Willis's first over and was beaten several times but survived.



Gatting: suited by the faster New Zealand wickets.

ENGLAND: First Innings

B. C. Rose, c Smith, b Jordan	43
C. T. Radley, c Shrimpton, b Jordan	12
D. W. Randall, b Aberhart	17
G. J. R. Roope, c Anderson, b O'Sullivan	83
M. W. Gatting, c Horne, b O'Sullivan	66
G. Miller, not out	31
C. M. Old, b Jordan	55
Extras (b 2, l-b 5, n-b 11)	18
Total (6 wkts dec)	296

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—18, 2—62, 3—91, 4—193, 5—258, 6—296.

BOWLING: Jordan, 13.1—3—38—3; Abernart, 17—2—41—1; Shrimpton, 5—2—20—0; O'Sullivan, 21—0—86—2; Bracewell, 14—0—70—0.

CENTRAL DISTRICTS: First Innings

R. W. Anderson, not out	10
L. A. Rutherford, not out	16
Extras (n-b 3)	3
Total (no wkt)	29

BOWLING: Willis, 4—1—14—0; Lever, 7—1—8—0; Miller, 1—0—4—0; Cope, 1—1—0—0.—Reuter.

More to Greig's removal than first apparent

Sydney, Feb 1.—Tony Greig, who was dismissed from the captaincy of the English county cricket club, Sussex, said today that his criticism of England's present captain, Geoffrey Boycott, is not the only reason for his dismissal.

In today's edition of the Sydney newspaper, *The Sun*, Greig said he could not believe he had been dismissed because of the remarks. "There has to be another reason. At this stage I haven't received any official notification of my sacking although Sussex secretary, Stanley Allen, phoned me in Perth with the news.

"I understand a letter is on the way from England informing me I am no longer captain of the county team." Greig said: "Sussex haven't said anything but they have been under a lot of pressure from several counties to take some action against me. There has even been talk of expelling Sussex from county cricket. Until I learn more about the sacking I am saying little else", he said.

John Benaud, a former New South Wales captain and Test cricketer who is now the news editor of *The Sun*, said Sussex had to yield to pressure and get rid of Greig.

"The problem was how to do it legally and not come into conflict with the High Court ruling that no Packer signee should be banned. Greig, by his criticism of Boycott, allowed them to enforce a petty clause in his contract. Greig handed them the axe", Benaud said.

An emergency meeting by the Sussex committee on Tuesday decided unanimously that Greig could no longer continue as captain in view of his recent remarks about Boycott in a story in *The Sun*.

In New Zealand Ken Barrington, England's manager, said today he was sure Sussex's decision to dismiss Greig as their captain was made for the future of English cricket.

In a statement issued just before the start of the touring side's three-day match against Central Districts in New Plymouth, Mr Barrington said: "We are a long way from home and know little about what has been happening. But we can only imagine that the decision on Greig was taken after much thought and concern about the future of Sussex and English cricket."

Murray struck by ball from Rowe in practice

Sydney, Feb 1.—A practice mishap to Deryck Murray, the wicket-keeper, threw a scare into the West Indians' camp today on the eve of the final series of Kerry Packer's one-day internationals at the Sydney Showground. A delivery from Rowe rose sharply and struck Murray on the right arm during batting practice on an indoor pitch.

After treating Murray, the team masseur, Peter Dunshea, said that although the arm was badly bruised there were no fears of a break. Murray said: "The arm is still very sore, but I have no trouble moving my fingers.

The West Indians are already troubled by injuries to three players—Greenidge, Holding and Padmore.

The winner of Friday's match between the West Indies and a World XI goes through to Sunday's International Cup grand final, which carries $10,000 in prize money on a winner takes all basis.—Reuter.

KINGSTON: Shell Shield: Combined Islands 353 (V. Eddy 77 not out; I. Shillingford 68; S. Foster six for 108) and 35 for 0; Jamaica 354 (B. Williams 84, R. Austin 74). Match drawn.

DACCA: Deccan Blues (India) 334 for six (Narsingha 83, Ram Krishna 67, A. Wadekar 63) v Bangladesh XI.

Football

West Bromwich finally overcome Manchester United's challenge

By Peter Ball
West Brom 3 Manchester U 2

After 210 minutes of the most thrilling cup battle imaginable, played at an incredible pace, West Bromwich Albion finally overcame Manchester United's spirited challenge.

It was a black, wet, windy Birmingham night, with the rain falling unceasingly on to a pitch which had suffered snow, sleet and a day's rain in the last 48 hours. That football could be played in such conditions was surprising. That it reached such a consistently thrilling and skilful level was remarkable. Anyone who has seen the two games will feel immensely privileged at seeing two sides play such open attacking and entertaining football. In particular the skilful wing play on view was a delight.

The start immediately set the scene for the whole game—both sides creating chances in the first two minutes. Coppell collected a clearance just outside his own penalty box and ran the length of the touchline to the corner flag, where he was obstructed by Statham. From his free kick Macari's shot from Jordan's header brought Godden to his knees.

Johnston's virtuosity was soon to reap a reward. In the fourteenth minute Tony Brown broke out in midfield to the inside left position, fed Johnston who again went round Nicholl and crossed high to the far post. Alistair Brown headed down to Tony Brown, who had kept on running and he swept the ball home.

United's closer passing was also making inroads into the Albion defence, and within five minutes they fashioned an even better goal in reply. Jordan held off two challenges on the halfway line and then slipped a glorious reverse through ball to McIlroy, running free in the penalty area. As Wilson came across to challenge, McIlroy passed inside to Pearson, who took deliberate aim, like a snooker player lining up a black, and slid the ball immaculately into the corner.

Minutes later however Martin brought the ball out of defence and again swept the ball across to the left wing where Johnston was in acres of space. The winger cut inside Nicholl and shot against the bar. Regis, at full stretch, slid the rebound in past Roche. United's riposte was from Jordan. Robson was forced to foul the big forward and was cautioned by the admirable Mr Courtney whose control of both these games has been excellent.

A minute later though in the sixty-third minute a similar attack by United saw Jordan and Wile collide in the desperate chase for a long ball, and Wile was taken off on a stretcher with a suspected broken jaw.

Then just as it seemed to be all over the drama reached a new height. Hill equalising three or four minutes from the end. He dribbled past two men and crashed in a low 20 yard drive off the post—an action replay of Saturday's late goal for United.

As extra time began the final stroke arrived, immediately Johnston yet again was the man behind it. This time he tormented Albion down the right and again struck the bar with a shot. Alistair Brown headed on the rebound and Regis rose by the post to head over the line. In the remaining half hour both sides had shots kicked off the line but United were unable to come back for a third time.

WEST BROMWICH ALBION: A. Godden; P. Wilkinson, D. Statham, T. Brown, A. Wile, B. Robson, M. Martin, A. Brown, C. Regis, J. Trewick, W. Johnston.
MANCHESTER UNITED: P. Roche; J. Nicholl, A. Albiston, S. McIlroy, S. Houston, Mc Buchan, S. Coppell, Ir. Jordan, S. Pearson, L. Macari, G. Hill.
Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor).

A pass master sees Derby home again

By a Special Correspondent
Derby 2 Birmingham 1

Derby County, two goals ahead after 12 minutes, lost their early sweep in this fourth round of the FA Cup at the Baseball Ground. Where once it had seemed that they would sail through, they finished by defending doggedly, but earned themselves a home tie in the next round against West Bromwich Albion. As long as Francis is on the field, Birmingham City always have a chance, and when, in the second half, he leapt away in frustration after turning superbly and shooting wide, he and the crowd knew that he had been close to a spectacular goal.

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As Birmingham fought to get back into the game late in the first half, Middleton raced a long way out of his goal to tackle Francis. When Francis recovered and jabbed in a low centre, Powell headed Towers's shot off the line. It was a warning for Derby and, on the stroke of half-time, Birmingham scored. Gallagher headed on Hibbitt's free kick, Middleton could only push it against the bar, and Bertschin happily snapped up the loose ball.

A vicious free kick by Rioch early in the second half was well saved by Smith. It looked as if this could be a turning point, and the save, coupled with their goal, gave Birmingham new heart. They began to make more impact in midfield. A moment of confusion in Derby's defence caused some flutters, and Francis later slipped away from Buckley with ease. Bertschin, claiming that he has been fouled, could not reach the centre, and Hibbitt missed his kick when the ball dropped invitingly to him. There was an air of strain in Derby's play, yet Birmingham were more open at the back as they pushed enthusiastically forward.

DERBY COUNTY: J. Middleton; R. Lawson, S. Buckley, B. Rioch, Daniel, S. Powell, T. Curran (sub. Crutchfield), G. Daly, D. Masson, C. George, G. Ryan.
BIRMINGHAM CITY: S. Smith; J. Calderwood, G. Pendrey, A. Towers, J. Gallagher, B. Howard, J. Emmanuel, T. F. Francis, K. Bertschin, T. Hibbitt, K. Dillon.
Referee: P. Partride (co Durham).

Bad weather cuts deeply into cup programme

Heavy rain cut into last night's FA Cup programme with two fourth round ties being called off before midday. The local referee, Alan Porter, took only a few minutes to decide that Bolton Wanderers had no chance of playing their game against Mansfield Town on the waterlogged Burnden Park pitch and the story was the same at Stoke, who were quick to postpone their tie with the non-league club, Blyth Spartans.

The game between Wrexham and Newcastle United has been put off until Monday. The match referee, Colin Seel, spent only five minutes inspecting the ground before declaring it unplayable.

The following is a complete list of rearranged Cup match dates:

FEB 4: Scottish Cup: Vale of Leithen v Queen's Park; Feb 5: Scottish Cup: Partick Thistle v Cowdenbeath. Feb 6: Scottish Cup: Alloa v Heart of Midlothian; Stirling Albion v Clydebank; St Mirren v Kilmarnock; Celtic v Dundee; Aberdeen v Ayr United; St Johnstone v Brechin City. Scottish Cup replays: Montrose v Queen of South; Cowdenbeath v Alloa Athletic. FA Cup: Bolton Wanderers v Mansfield Town; Stoke City v Blyth Spartans. FA Cup replay: Wrexham v Newcastle United.

Yesterday's results

FA Cup, fourth round

Derby Co	(2) 2	Birmingham C	(1) 1
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Masson		31,968	

Winners home to W Bromwich.

Fourth round replay

W Brom	(1) 3	Man Utd	(1) 2
Regis 2		Pearson	
T. Brown		Hill	
58,000			

After extra time. Winners away to Derby.
Postponed: Fourth round: Bolton v Mansfield; Stoke v Blyth Spartans. Fourth round replay: Wrexham v Newcastle.

Fourth division

Crewe	(0) 0	Southend	(0) 1
1,603		Parker	

Scottish Cup

Postponed: Third round: Celtic v Dundee; St Johnstone v Brechin; Partick v Cowdenbeath; Albion R v Morton; Stirling A v Clydebank. Third round replays: Dumbarton v Alloa; Montrose v Queen of South.

FA TROPHY: Third round replays: Kettering 0, Walthamstow Avenue 1; Slough Town 1, Maidstone 0.

SCHOOLS MATCHES: ESTA under-19 championship: Second round: Hastings (3) v Westminster City 1. Second round replay: Fernham College 1, Roan School 2 (after extra time).

RUGBY UNION: Leicester 0, Royal Navy 0; Plymouth Albion 28, St Luke's College 6; Cambordge School of Mines 4, College of St Mark and St John 10; RNAS Culdrose 12, Cornwall Police A Division 0; St Mary's Hospital 12, Public School Wanderers 3.

RUGBY LEAGUE: First division: Castleford 17, Warrington 12.

Swales thinks Tueart will join Cosmos

Dennis Tueart, of Manchester City, could be on the move to New York Cosmos. It would be a record fee by an American club for an English player, the American club permission to speak to Tueart and they have had preliminary talks with the player.

Tueart said: "I will consider going to the States as soon as any agreement is finalised".

Peter Swales, the City chairman, said: "I think he fancies America. He has had a few chances to go to various clubs and if I am any judge this is the hottest one. Tongue in cheek and a bit of a guess I think he may go on this one".

Malcolm Poskett, a 25-year-old striker who cost Hartlepool put £25 from Whitby Town 18 months ago, is to join Brighton for £60,000. This fee will be a record for Hartlepool, ninety-first of the 92 Football League clubs. The previous biggest fee was £12,000 from Carlisle for William Green.

ICC meeting continues

International Cricket Conference delegates from England, Australia, New Zealand, West Indies, India, and Pakistan discussed for over six hours at Lord's yesterday the thorny problems surrounding Kerry Packer. They failed to find ready answers and more time will have to be spent in finding common ground. The meeting will reconvene today.

The two questions which are taking so long are: whether to appeal against the High Court judgment which went against the ICC and the Test and County Cricket Board last November; and how best now to try and make sure traditional Test matches continue.

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Squash rackets

Modest tournament with an unpredictable outcome

By Rex Bellamy
Squash Rackets Correspondent

Britain will be represented in three of the four matches in today's quarter-final round of the British Amateur Squash Rackets championship, sponsored by Sun Life Assurance at Wembley. No British player has won this event since Jonah Barrington in 1968. Barrington and his successors have all become professionals which means that this year's tournament is modest in quality, but interesting in that its outcome is unpredictable.

The survivors include the world amateur champion, Maqsood Ahmed (Pakistan), and two men beaten in the semi-final round, Gamal Awad (Egypt) and Jonathan Leslie (Buckinghamshire). Today's pairings are Maqsood v Ian Robinson (Yorkshire), Leslie v Atlas Khan (Pakistan), Dean Williams (Australia) v Gawain Briars (Norfolk), and Craig Blackwood (New Zealand) v Awad.

Two significant experiments are taking place overseas. This is the first season in which the United States have discarded their traditional "Hardball" game in favour of a modified version of squash played with their new "70 Plus" ball (originally designed for use in courts with a temperature over 70 degrees). The new ball should lessen the disparity between North American squash and that played everywhere else in the world.

The second, more modest experiment also has American connexions in that it concerns doubles, a form of squash popular in North America, but nowhere else. Lorna Cawthorn of Surrey, squash director of Los Monteros, a sport-oriented holiday hotel at Marbella, near Malaga, is organizing an unusually comprehensive seven-event international tournament in the hotel's squash complex from February 20 to 24. As well as the conventional men's and women's singles and corresponding events for veterans, the tournament will feature doubles events for each sex, and also a mixed event.

The hotel's five courts are all designed for singles. Outside North America there are only a handful of the larger doubles courts and this form of squash has gained little recognition. This is one of the few areas in which the game has obvious scope for expansion. The Marbella initiative is equally interesting in that it will be the most ambitious tournament yet promoted in Spain, where the game is still taking root.

The following results were received too late for inclusion in our early editions yesterday.

THIRD ROUND: J. C. Leslie beat D. Khan (Pakistan) 9—5, 9—3, 9—5; G. Awad (Egypt) beat H. Brown (NZ) 9—4, 9—4, 9—0; I. Robinson beat L. Kvant (Sweden) 9—0, 9—10, 9—2, 9—5; D. A. Maqsood (Pakistan) beat P. Donnelly (Australia) 9—1, 9—5, 10—8; A. Khan (Pakistan) beat M. Awad (Egypt) 9—3, 9—5, 9—.

Athletics

Walker soon to undergo surgery on leg

Auckland, Feb 1.—John Walker, the Olympic 1,500 metres champion, is to have an operation on his right leg in an attempt to cure persistent muscular trouble which caused him to break down in training yesterday.

Walker will have the operation within the next two months in the hope that he will have time to get fit for the Commonwealth Games at Edmonton in August. The New Zealand runner, who holds the world record for the mile, has withdrawn from his planned indoor appearance in Los Angeles on Friday.

Walker said today: "It seems the muscles in my leg expand and tighten after 30 minutes of sustained running, thereby cutting off the circulation.

Dr Lloyd Drake, a member of the New Zealand Sports Medicine Federation, said that the operation would be short and simple and Walker should only be out of action for about a week or 10 days.—Reuter.

Rugby Union

Kent again a replacement

Geoffrey Evans, Coventry's international centre, has withdrawn for "personal reasons" as an England replacement against Wales at Twickenham on Saturday. His place is taken by Charles Kent, of Rosslyn Park, who came on as a replacement for the injured Andy Maxwell against France in Paris last week.

Evans will play for his club in their home match against Waterloo on Sunday. Coventry have made five changes to the team beaten heavily at Swansea last weekend. Duckham is not available and is replaced by Hamilton, but Coulthard, Johnson, McCarthy and Shipsides are left out. Preece, Campbell, Robbins and Clarke replace them.

Northampton's vice captain, Peter Sweet, has won back his first team place after 15 weeks in the reserves. Sweet dropped after the fourth game of the season, returns at wing forward replacing Kent for tomorrow night's home match with Saracens. The veteran British Lion, Taylor, returns to the back row at No. 8 with Cannon moving back in second row at the expense of Poole.

The London Welsh side to play Cardiff at Old Deer Park on Saturday (12.0) will be the same as the one selected for last week's postponed match against Saracens.

Duncan Madsen, of Gosforth, one of Scotland's replacements for the international against France at Murrayfield on Saturday, has withdrawn, suffering from food poisoning. The new replacement is Kent Lawrie, the Gala hooker. No change in Scotland's team is expected.

There will be training periods for the party today and tomorrow.

Boxing

Foster to make comeback

Copenhagen, Feb 1.—The former world light-heavyweight champion, Bob Foster, of the United States, meets a Denmark-based Ugandan, Mustaph Wassaja, here on February 9, the promoters announced today.

Foster, a 39-year-old police officer from New Mexico, defended his crown a record 11 times and retired as undefeated champion after drawing with Jorge Ahumada of Argentina, in June, 1974.

A planned comeback against the World Boxing Association (WBA) title holder, Victor Galindez, of Argentina, fell through last April. Foster failed to take the world heavyweight title from Joe Frazier at Detroit in 1970. He was stopped in the second round.

Rackets

Holders get the distance right but not result

By Our Rackets Correspondent

Richard Bridgeman and Anthony Ward, the holders of the Combined Services (Past and Present) doubles title, were beaten in their first match at Queen's Club yesterday. On a day when the Army rackets championships were confined to doubles these two cheerful and enthusiastic near veterans fell to two young serving officers, Richard Beazley and Marcus Craggs, by 8—15, 15—8, 15—12, 8—15, 9—15, 18—13, 15—11.

Anyone making a book on this match would have been hard put to it in laying the odds at any one moment. The winners were heard to remark beforehand that it would probably go to seven games and "we shall win". Other opinion was that the civilians would win however long the match lasted and they were certainly in the hunt right to the end although their legs and reflexes were slowing.

Bridgeman and Ward looked to be heading for victory when they reached 13—10 in the sixth game with both hands still intact. They lost both. Beazley then served three aces to make it 13—13 and Craggs carried on with five services none of which were returned. The survival momentum took the soldiers into an early lead

REGIMENTAL DOUBLES: First round: Royal Horse Guards/Dragoons (Major D. M. Reed-Fairlord and Capt T. L. J. Livingstone-Learmont) beat Royal Armoured Corps/Junior Leaders Regt (Capt F. D. G. Rosier and Lt J. Hepburn), 15—12, 15—11, 15—7; KOSB Brig A. D. Myrtle and Major T. Toyne-Sewell beat Coldstream Guards (Lt N. J. W. Parsons and Lt R. Smart), 15—4, 15—1, 1—2, 15—8.

COMBINED SERVICES (PAST AND PRESENT) DOUBLES: First round: J. M. H. Paul and R. J. Crosby beat Lt N. J. W. Parsons and Lt R. Smart, 15—10, 15—6, 15—6; Lt A. R. Trenham, RN, and Lt R. Moody, RN, beat Capt E. B. C. Aitken and Hepburn, 15—0, 15—4, 15—1, 15—4; Capt R. M. Beazley and Capt C. M. Craggs beat Major A. S. C. Drew and Major A. Egremont-Lee, 15—8, 3—15, 15—8, 15—0, 15—1. Second round: Beazley and Craggs beat R. L. O. Bridgeman and A. J. H. Ward, 8—15, 16—9, 16—12, 8—15, 9—15, 18—13, 16—11; Major F. P. Payne-Stewart and Lt M. W. C. Nicholls beat J. N. Paul and R. J. Crosby, 6—15, 16—8, 15—8, 15—13, 0—15, 15—3, 16—0.

In exeter's marriage of convenience the college is the loser as it changes its name

Looking back more in sorrow than in anger

By Alan Gibson

I have been courteously but firmly taken to task by Deryck Fairclough, the President of Exeter University Rugby Football Club (cricketers will remember him as the H. D. Fairclough who played with much success for Devon) for some remarks I made in a rugby report of an Exeter University match. I recalled that in the days when I taught there, an uncomfortably long time ago, when it was still only "The University College of the South-West", the Exeter students' song began,

"Who will bear the Luki,
when we have gone away?"

This was a reference to their long-standing rivalry with the teachers' training college, St Luke's, in the same city. I said that, since then, the university had hardly beaten the Luki at anything, or words to that effect. Well, that was the impression I used to get, from the more publicized sports, when I lived in Devon; but that was more than a decade ago and I cheerfully accept Deryck Fairclough's statement that recent years have brought a change. He concedes the current superiority of Luke's at rugby, basketball, athletics and—marginally—soccer. "But from here on the university becomes the dominant body." He particularly draws my attention to the achievements of the university hockey team, which has won the last two UAU championships and also the last four matches against St Luke's.

He has kindly promised not to sue, but the university is entitled to an apology for this unguarded remark, which I readily offer. However, this does not change my feelings on the main point I was discussing in the paragraph in question. I am very far from being the only rugby man to be grieved by the demise, which seems imminent, of the St Luke's College Rugby Football Club.

I pause over the word "demise". Some months ago, I had an indignant letter from Jane M. King, vice-chairman of the Exeter University Athletic Union, because, reporting a St Luke's match at Bath, I said I feared there would be few more opportunities to watch them. "I would like to point out", she wrote, "that next season, after the merger with Exeter University, St Luke's Rugby Club will still be with us, the only difference being that they will be playing under a different name—that of Exeter University. It is felt that the team will be as strong, if not stronger, that it is at present, so the standard of rugby now played in the college will be maintained."

Now I do not wish to be disrespectful to a lady, but we are not talking about the standard of play, but the death of a rugby club, which during its long history—it is one of the oldest in the country, founded in 1860—has had moments of glory and, for that matter, long periods of relative obscurity, and has built up its own character, identity, traditions. What would the university's conquering hockey club feel if they learnt that next year they would be known as St Luke's? After all, it would only be a change of name and standards would be fully maintained.

I must not give the impression that I disapprove of the merger between the two institutions, the university and the college. Given the circumstances it was inevitable and, upon wider considerations than rugby or hockey, it will probably be beneficial.

In any case, the great days of St Luke's Rugby would be unlikely to have recurred. The number of students is to be cut down by the edict of the Department of Education and Science, by more than half from 1,200 men. You might think that still would suffice for an independent club, but it seems probable that half the intake will be women and that, the PE department, long the base of the rugby side, will be only one-third of its former size. No doubt all is being done for the best, or at least with the best intentions.

But you can understand why rugby men feel distress, I among them, for I have been peripherally associated with several of the Luke's triumphs. I recorded commentary when they scored their thousandth point of the season—the first time anyone had scored so many. It was not quite so good as it sounds, because at that time their fixtures did not match their talents, but it was an astonishing achievement. I dined in college that evening and rose to my feet cheering with the rest, when the XV made their ceremonial entry. (I was reminded of Bernard Darwin's account of how the Colleger marched in at Eton, after the War Game.)

I saw Luke's twice win the Middlesex Sevens and several of their victories in the fierce series against Loughborough. I saw the county championship final of 1957, when Devon, led by a Luke's man, Jan Ridd, won for the first time in 45 years, before nearly 30,000 people (in pouring rain) at Home Park, Plymouth. There were four or five other Luki in that Devon side, including Dai Rees and Benny Jones, one of the best half-back pairs I have seen.

The college's Welsh connexion has always been strong; indeed, at one time it caused some asperate comments on their admissions policy, usually from disappointed opponents (no reference intended to the university!). I remember the flying runs of Gareth Griffiths, the mighty rushes near the line of Brian Sparkes, the infinite promise of Mervyn Joseph, who died suddenly and tragically young.

Yes, Ms King must forgive me for feeling sad. No doubt at what was once the Diocesan Training College there will still be lots of good rugby players learning to master the game, from within the same walls and upon the same fields, but it will not be quite the same. To the Luki, *ave atque vale*.

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...ic won the Gold Cup ...m two seasons ago ...on his last two races ...He missed the whole of last season on account of leg trouble, but he is right back in contention now for the top honours in steeplechasing. When the weights for the National were published last week Ladbroke's reacted very quickly and cut Our Edition's price to only 12-1 in the belief that the handicapper had underrated Stan Mellor's horse. The Sandown race will be Our Edition's first of the season.

After he had saddled Flap to win the Boveney Handicap Steeplechase at Windsor yesterday, Kim Bailey told me that he had walked the steeplechase course at Sandown earlier in the day and that, finding the ground to be surprisingly good in spite of all the recent rain, he had decided to run Shifting Gold there instead of at Haydock Park next Wednesday. Shifting Gold is the third favourite for the Grand National and Bailey has said all along that he would not take him to Haydock for the Malcolm Fudge National Trial if the ground at Haydock looked like being very bad, as it could easily be at this time of the year.

Bailey added that Friday's race may well be Shifting Gold's last before Aintree and that his training between now and April 1 is likely to include a spell of swimming in Roger Charlton's pool in Lambourn. Apparently Shifting Gold adores swimming and Bailey is of the opinion that it could easily do him a power of good during the crucial build-up to the big race at Liverpool.

There will be an inspection of the course at Towcester at 7.30 this morning to determine whether the day's only remaining meeting can take place. If racing is possible Star of the Arctic (2.30) and Babbling Brook (3.30) look likely winners for David Morley and Bob Davies. Mannyboy can draw attention to his chance of winning the Welsh Grand National at Chepstow later this month by winning the Yardley Gobion Handicap Steeplechase.

STATE OF GOING (official): Towcester: Inspection, 7.30 am. Heavy. Sandown Park (tomorrow): Good to soft. Sedgefield (tomorrow): Inspection this afternoon.

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...ON HURDLE (Div I : Novices : £500 : 2m)

Aristotle, W. Whiston, 5-11-7 .... Mr M. Brisbourne 5
Clear Beat, R. Chugg, 5-11-7 .... Mr R. Chugg 3
Coral King, H. Webb, 5-11-7 .... P. Barton
Dancing-in-Irish, J. Old, 6-11-7 .... J. King
Gold Nick, M. McCourt, 5-11-7 .... R. Floyd
Great Ball, S. Holland, 6-11-7 .... S. Holland
Grecian Alpha, P. Arthur, 5-11-7 .... J. Moran 7
Maytide, D. Ancil, 5-11-7 .... A. Turnell
Queen's Herald, F. Winter, 8-11-7 .... J. Francome
Tudor Ruff, R. Murphy, 6-11-7 .... H. Evans
Frozen Tiger, G. Balding, 4-10-7 .... B. Reilly 7
Kingston Padre, D. Lewis, 4-10-7 .... S. Davis 7
News King, N. Callaghan, 4-10-7 .... D. McAllister 7
Timely Gift, D. Morley, 4-10-7 .... B. R. Davies
...tiger, 7-2 Dancing-in-Irish, 9-2 Queen's Herald, 5-1 Coral King, ...8-1 Maytide, 14-1 Tudor Ruff, 16-1 others.

...ERSTHORPE STEEPLECHASE (Handicap : £783 : ...yd)

Julian Swift, D. Morley, 8-13-0 .... B. R. Davies
Mister Know All, J. Gifford, 9-11-13 .... Mr G. Sloan
Jave River, S. Mellor, 9-10-12 .... P. Blacker
Takasaki (C-D), J. Perrett, 10-10-10 .... L. Griffiths
Culloville, T. Forster, 10-10-7 .... G. Thorner
Inventory, R. Redgrave, 10-10-7 .... Mr P. Harris 7
Durham Town, K. Ivory, 9-10-3 .... M. Gibson
Know All, 11-4 Julian Swift, 9-2 Culloville, 5-1 Jave River, 6-1 others.

...OUSE HURDLE (Handicap : £512 : 2m 5f 26yd)

Palestrina, R. Vibert, 5-12-0 .... —
Easy Commission, D. Morley, 6-11-11 .... B. R. Davies
Complicity (C), J. Perrett, 12-11-3 .... L. Griffiths
Willie May, D. Ancil, 5-11-0 .... A. Turnell
Kiddmo Star, N. Gaselee, 5-1-0 .... C. Brown 3
Mexican Silk, G. Vergette, 5-10-13 .... P. Kelly
Cinchid (C), N. Callaghan, 7-10-13 .... D. McAllister 7
Lerna, B. McMahon, 8-10-12 .... J. O'Neill
Santellis, D. Gandolfo, 9-10-10 .... P. Barton
Airy Fairy, C. O'Neill, 10-10-9 .... —
Pride of Olly (C), B. McMahon, 9-10-6 .... R. Mann
Sackville, D. Candolfo, 6-10-4 .... C. Candy
Molly's Beau, Mrs J. Pitman, 6-10-4 .... B. Smart
Jim Coiner, J. Webber, 6-10-2 .... A. Webber
Charivari, M. Chapman, 8-10-2 .... —
Chameleon, V. Cross, 7-10-1 .... J. King
New Horn, P. Allingham, 8-10-0 .... S. Hives 5
Blighty, R. Shelley, 7-10-0 .... J. Pearce
Sweet Millie, C. Dingwall, 5-10-0 .... H. Evans
Persian Twilight, C. Miller, 10-10-0 .... R. F. Davies
Regal Jester, S. Mellor, 5-10-0 .... J. Rowe 7
High St, J. Friday, 11-10-0 .... G. Jones
Woodlands Imp, M. Salaman, 9-10-0 .... —
...ity, 9-2 Willie May, 5-1 Santellis, 6-1 Mexican Silk, 7-1 Easy ...S-1 Cinchid, 10-1 Kiddmo Star, 12-1 Persian Twilight, 14-1 ...-1 others.

...UAR YSTEEPLECHASE (Novices : Handicap : £485 : ...0yd)

Star of the Arctic, D. Morley, 7-11-12 .... B. F. Davies
Dornie, P. Arthur, 8-11-1 .... J. King
Zonta, R. Clay, 10-10-0 .... P. Barton
Willrae, S. Mellor, 7-10-8 .... P. Blacker
Pucks Friend, R. Armytage, 6-10-7 .... H. Evans
Beck'n Call, M. Scudamore, 8-10-0 .... Mr P. Scudamore 7
Royal Ring II, M. Chapman, 10-10-0 .... —
2-1 Star of the Arctic, 9-2 Dornie, 7-1 Pucks Friend, 10-1 Zonta.

...LEY GOBION STEEPLECHASE (Handicap : £936 : ...90yd)

Mannyboy, J. Gifford, 8-12-0 .... R. Champion
Tom Bombadil (C), T. Forster, 8-11-10 .... G. Thorner
Vatican Express (C), E. Courage, 7-11-4 .... A. Webber
Court Shadow, D. Greig, 9-11-3 .... P. Barton
Nampara, I. Dudgeon, 7-11-2 .... R. Floyd
Willy What, S. Mellor, 9-11-1 .... P. Blacker
Ormonde Tudor, Mrs R. Lomax, 9-11-1 .... P. Barry 5
Moorabinda, H. Hannmer, 8-11-0 .... Mr E. Hannmer 7
Monty Python, Mrs J. Pitman, 6-11-0 .... B. Smart 3
Spacer, S. Holland, 6-11-0 .... S. Holland
Lovejoy, W. Whiston, 8-10-13 .... Mr M. Brisbourne 5
My Captain, D. Morley, 9-10-4 .... B. R. Davies
Moon Trip, M. Connell, 10-10-4 .... —
...yboy, 4-1 My Captain, 9-2 Tom Bombadil, 6-1 Ormonde Tudor, Vatican-Express 10-1 Willy What, 14-1 others.

...TON HURDLE (Novices : Div II : £487 : 2m)

Babbling Brook, D. Morley, 6-12-3 .... B. F. Davies
All Right Jack, D. Gandolfo, 5-11-7 .... P. Barton
Ballycurragh Boy, P. Cundell, 6-11-7 .... R. Champion
Colonial Lad, F. Walwyn, 5-11-7 .... N. Smith
Conderian, R. Armytage, 6-11-7 .... H. Evans
Grove Lad, W. Morgan, 5-11-7 .... —
Hether Fox, J. Haine, 5-11-7 .... C. Broad 7
Killary Star, N. Gaselee, 5-11-7 .... C. Brown
Mouraquila, Mrs N. Birch, 5-11-7 .... M. Floyd
MacKelly (C-D), J. Old, 4-11-3 .... C. Candy
Bad Love, J. Old, 4-10-7 .... —
Dolly Dickins, R. Hollinshead, 4-10-7 .... C. Astbury
Woody Woodpecker, J. Webber, 4-10-7 .... A. Webber
Kelly, 7-2 Babbling Brook, 11-2 Colonial Lad, 8-1 Conderian, 10-1 ...13-1 Woody Woodpecker, 16-1 others.
• Doubtful runner

...er selections

...ing Correspondent
...Herald. 1.30 Mister Know All. 2.0 Complicity. 2.30 Star of ...1.0 Mannyboy. 3.30 Babbling Brook.

...market Correspondent
...Gift. 1.30 Julian Swift. 2.0 Easy Commission. 2.30 Star of ...3.0 My Captain. 3.30 Babbling Brook.

Windsor results

1.45 (1.47) HOLYPORT HURDLE (Handicap: 5-y-o: £399: 2m 30yd)
Lager Boy, ch g by Whistling Wind—Priona (Dr A. Jones), 5-10-11
John Williams (11-4) 1
Tacaronte Mr M. Duerden (5-2 fav) 2
Golden Gun G. McCourt (10-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Tickets (4th), 7-2 Service Charge (ro). 5 ran.
TOTE: Win, 49p; dual forecast, 33p. A. Jones, at Swansea. Major Pinta did not run. ½l, 2l.

2.15 (2.17) BROCAS HURDLE (Div I: Novices: £516: 2m 30yd)
Ravensbourne, br h, by Siliconn—Suzy Wong II (G. Curzon), 5-11-7 .... M. Floyd (7-2) 1
Better Than Ever
Mr C. Popham (25-1) 2
London Glory .. J. Suthern (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 3-1 fav Main Chance, 6-1 Moorshead (4th), 11-2 Celestial Gem, 10-1 Amazon Ruler (h), 12-1 Extol (h), 16-1 Thornproof (h), Watergate (h), 20-1 Saint Just, 25-1 King Kappa (p), 33-1 Mid-day Mill (p), Don Enrico. 14 ran.
TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 12p, 48p, 90p; dual forecast, £13.64. R. Akehurst, at Lambourn. 4l, 25l.

2.45 (2.48) BOVENEY STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: £962: 3m)
Flap, b g, by Timber King—Fruitina (Mrs K. Bailey), 9-10-12 .... S. Morshead (6-1) 1
Indian Pyrite
Mr A. J. Wilson (3-1) 2
Nonsuch Hill A. Webber (20-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 15-8 fav Great Park (f), 7-2 Poor Boy (f), 10-1 Gypsy Baron (4th), 16-1 Brilliant Boy (f). 7 ran.
TTE: Win, 57p; places, 25p, 17p; dual forecast, 98p. K. Bailey, at Brackley. Sybil did not run. 15l, 15l.

3.15 (3.15) OAKSIDE STEEPLECHASE (Novices: Handicap: £601: 2m 5f)
Governor's Last, b g, by Armagnac Monarch—Romany Serenade (R. Barton), 6-11-00
M. Floyd (11-2) 1
Serpent Prince .. R. Champion (9-2) 2
Scroggy .... B. Reilly (5-1 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 7-2 Princely Bid (4th), 6-1 Roi de Frontiere 10-1 Hill Fly (p), 13-1 Greek Salute, 20-1 Flying Prince, Gamlingay 25-1 Rathlek, Sealing. 1 ran.
TOTE: Win 51p; places, 20p, 11p, 26p; dual forecast, £1.10. ½l, ¾l.

3.45 (3.46) COPPER HORSE (Handicap: £372: 2m 30yd)
Rosie Whisper, ch m, by Articulate—National Rose (Mrs M. Babbage), 7-10-0 R. Hyett (8-1) 1
Gay Signal .. S. Jobar (9-2 fav) 2
Mark's Boy .... P. Steel (5-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 5-1 Roundtown, 8-1 Florida King, Mister Tack, Welsh Treaty, 12-1 Comet Kohoutek, 14-1 Bee, Pick Me (p), 14-1 Dunedin Daughter (4th), 20-1 Master Skipper, Seaspray, Arctic Lee, Loong Koi. 15 ran.
TOTE: Win, £2.48; places, 17p, 21p, 25p; dual forecast, £2.28. 4l, 3l. B. Shaw, at Cheltenham.

4.15 (4.16) BROCAS HURDLE (Div II: Novices: £532: 2m 30yd)
Tuparon, b c, by Bleknah—Tudoron (Mrs E. Wyndham), 4-10-7
P. Blacker (6-2) 1
Orange Gin .. A. Turnell (12-1) 2
Prince's Risk R. G. Hughes (12-1) 3
ALSO RAN: 6-4 fav Colway Boy (4th), 13-2 Go To Town, 14-1 Simon Slingsby, 16-1 Case Study, Tanrain (p), Winged Typhoon, 20-1 Midnight Echo (p), 33-1 Farrington Gurney, Auream, Gay Sovereign II, Argosa (p), Duke of Ebor (p). 15 ran.
TOTE: Win, 50p; places, 15p, 27p, 23p; dual forecast, £2.50. 3l, 1½l. S. Mellor, at Lambourn.
TOTE DOUBLE: Flap, Rosie Whisper, £17.50. TREBLE: Ravensbourne, Governor's Last, Tuparon, £22.20p.

WELSH GRAND NATIONAL (Handicap steeplechase): Gay Spartan, Master H, Master Spy, Our Edition, No Gypsy, New Formula, Craigue House, Drumroan, Rambling Jack, Golden Whin, Ballymore, Double Negative, Posh Saree, Mr Friendly Cousin, Never Rock, Precious Jem, Ton Priority, Tregarron, High Ken, Cantabel, Greystoke Rambler, Le Robstan, Lucky Victory, Alpenstock, Carroll Street, Kick On, Bentley Boy, Mannyboy, Capuchin, Sybil, Fettimist, Alexangle, Toy Flag, Flippant Fred, Bevalla, Everything, Captain Clover, Cottage Queen, Ivors, Tessies Boy, Barrow Chief, Fighting Chance, Tyock Royal, Cartwright, Foresail, The Sea Lion, Lord of the Rings, Agir, old Charlie (dead). To be run over 3¾m on Saturday, February 18.

Ice skating

Cousins's display puts the arena in a spin

From John Hennessy
Strasbourg, Feb 1

Robin Cousins, of Britain, brought the house down during the European figure skating championships here this afternoon. His short programme, coming at the end, was of an entirely different order from those that had gone before. The result is that he has moved up from fifth place (after yesterday's compulsory figures) to fourth, with the promise of more to come tomorrow.

Last year he finished third overall at Helsinki, behind Jan Hoffmann (East Germany) and Vladimir Kovalev (Soviet Union). For the moment Igor Bobrin, also of the Soviet Union, bars Cousins's way to a medal but he, and we, will be deeply disappointed if he has not overtaken Bobrin after tomorrow night's free skating.

Cousins's position would perhaps have been even more promising had not Hoffmann been by common consent, over-marked at the start of the last group. There was therefore little room for manoeuvre when the Briton took the arena by storm, first with a soaring double Axel, then an exciting cross-foot spin, a triple toe-loop jump in combination with the statutory double toe-loop, and a dazzling step sequence, the whole embroidered with a variety of original spins.

"Wundebar", a friend from the other side of the Rhine exclaimed. And so it was. The Austrian went so far as a maximum mark of 6.0 (for artistic impression), a rare accolade and Cousins's first in an international championship. It will surely not be his last.

Th eother skaters seemed by comparison, wooden and pedestrian. Hoffmann will never be able to match Cousins's artistry and Kovalev, world champion though he is, could add only a double Salchow to his double toe-loop.

It is one of the oddities of this sport that Cousins should be placed fourth, because he has scored more marks than Bovrin and suffered the same number of grace marks. The results are reached by a majority of judges, however, and here, briefly I venture to believe, Bobrin holds a tenuous advantage. Tomorrow night should be compulsive BBC viewing for people back home.

The first two compulsory dances earlier had proved something of a disappointment for Britain. Janet Thompson and Warren Maxwell improved upon their marks in the European championships at Helsinki last year (when they finished fourth), but fell below those they achieved in the world championship later at Tokyo (when they finished second). The leaders are the holders of both titles, Irina Moiseyeva and Andrei Minenkov, her husband, followed by Kristzina Regoczy and Andras Sallay (Hungarian born, British trained), the second Russian pair, Natalia Linichuk and Gennardi Karponosov, and the British champions. This is precisely the order of finishing at Helsinki.

Miss Linichu and Karponosov perhaps, made the most favourable impression and, even if the judges did not entirely agree, they fully confirmed advance warnings of a stride forward this year. The Hungarian pair owe something to the genrosity of the referee. Miss Regoczy had a frightful fall on the Hokawk step of the first sequence of the Kilian, but her appeal against the condition of the ice (containing ruts in spite of two resurfacings) was upheld and she and Sallay this time were at their elegant best. Not everyone of the competitors is convinced that the ice was to blame.

The Minenkovs were given the best mark in deference to their reputation perhaps, because it is only when they are released from the straitjacket of the compulsories that they reach their stunning best. That will come partly tomorrow, with the original set pattern, but principally on Friday night when West Side Story goes East.

The second British couple, Kay Bardsell and Kenneth Foster, lie seventh and the third, Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean ninth, a promising first appearance at this level.

Irina Rodnina and Alexandr Zaitsev went through the formality of retaining the pairs title with a flawless short programme last night. It was the one worthwhile event in an otherwise tepid evening that must have left the assembled Strasbourgeois wondering if they had had value for money. Apart from children cavorting during the opening ceremony they saw 13 pairs each skating for a maximum of two minutes and performing, to a greater or lesser degree of proficiency (mostly lesser), the same six compulsory elements.

Miss Rodnina and her husband saved the evening with a display that elicited a mark of 6.0 from the Yugoslav judge. If anyone ever deserves it in pairs the Russian champions do for their superlative techniques and the breathtaking speed with which everything is accomplished.

ICE DANCING: 1, I. Moiseyeva/A. Minenkov (USSR), 100.20 points, 12 placements; 2, K. Regoczy/A. Sallay (Hungary), 99.50 and 23; 3, N. Linichuk/G. Karponosov (USSR), 98.50 and 25; 4, J. Thompson/W. Maxwell (GB), 97.40 and 37; 5, M. Zueva/A. Vitman (USSR) and L. Rehakova/S. Dratich (Czechoslovakia), 92.90 and 51; 7, K. Barsdel/K. Foster (GB), 91.50 and 60; 8, I. Rizd-Webster/L. Freroni (Italy), 87.88 and 77; 9, J. Torvill/C. Dean (GB), 87.50 and 78; 10, S. Handschumann/P. Handschumann (Austria), 84.50 and 86; 11, H. Froschl/C. Steiner (W Germany), 80.80 and 106; 12, H. Gordon-Poltorak/J. Tacher (Poland), 80.90 and 107; 13, M. Boucher/Y. Malader (France), 78.20 and 117; 14, E. Parisi/M. Gobbo (Italy), 76.70 and 124; 15, R. Karpat/I. Palasti (Hungary), 75-00 and 134; 16, E. Luksch/P. Schubl (Austria), 74.90 and 134; 17, J. Wesolowska/A. Alberciak (Poland), withdrew.

Tennis

'Platform' events are to take stage in Britain

By Rex Bellamy
Tennis Correspondent

The first week of February could turn out to be confused if historically distinctive for a game called "platform tennis". Already establishd and becoming increasingly popular in America, it is now being hopefully introduced to Britain. The confusion arises from the fact that in the span of six days two launching ceremonies have been organized by separate bodies.

One of these, Tiger Sports in harness with Racquet Sports International, held a reception yesterday and are to promote international "British championships" in men's, women's and moxed doubles at the Silvermere Golf Country Club, near Cobham, from tomorrow until Sunday. On Monday the London Area Platform Tennis Association are to "announce their plans for the introduction of platform tennis to Great Britain". One organization estimates that America has 3,000 courts and more than 100,000 players. The other suggests figures of more than 5,000 courts and 500,000 "registered players".

Al lwe may safely assume from this is that a lot of people are enjoying platform tennis in the United States (which we knew already), that the game seems likely to gain a foothold in Britain, and that its international promoters should achieve some degree of liaison before making any further demand for public attention.

Devized in 1928, platform tennis is played on a court about a quarter the size of a tennis court (and marked out in a similar way), enclosed by a 12ft fence composed of taut wiring. The basic rules are those of tennis. But only one service is permitted and, as in squash rackets, shots may be played off the "walls" (in this case fences). The bat is rather like an enlarged table-tennis bat, and the spongy rubber ball is about the same size as a tennis ball.

MEXICO CITY: First round: A. Amritraj (India) beat J. Whitlinger (US), 6—2, 6—0; M. Lara beat S. Ball (Australia), 6—3, 6—3; R. Case (Australia) beat C. Kirmayr (Brazil), 6—3, 6—8.

CHICAGO: Woman's tournament First round: M. Navratilova beat P. Medrado (Brazil), 6—2, 6—0; S. V. Wade (GB) beat M. Jausovec, 6—1, 6—3; K. Latham beat Z. Liess, 6—1, 6—3; M. Tyler (GB) beat S. Mappin (GB), 6—2, 6—3; P. Teeguarden beat R. Tomanova, 6—7, 6—2, 6—3; S. Barker (GB) beat B. Runing 7—6, 6—3; W. Turnbull (Australia) beat G. Stevens (SA), 6—0, 3—6, 2—6.

RICHMOND: R. Laver (Australia) beat J. Kodes (Czechoslovakia), 6—1, 6—3; K. Rosewall (Australia) beat J. Alexander (Australia), 3—6, 6—0, 6—3; Born (Sweden) beat T. Okker (Netherlands), 6—3, 3—7, 6—1; V. Gerulaitis (US) beat S. Mayer (US), 7—5, 7—5; B. Gottfried (US) beat R. Lutz (US), 5—6, 6—3, 6—4; J. Higueras (Spain) beat R. Tanner, 6—3, 6—4; P. Fleming (US) beat R. Moore (SA), 4—6, 6—3, 6—3; R. Hewitt beat C. Mottram (GB), 4—0, retired.

Hockey

India omit six of the best

Bombay, Feb 1.—Six leading players were today left out of India's 16-man party for the World Cup hockey tournament in Buenos Aires in March and four warm-up matches against a team from Pakistan. Their exclusion follows recent disagreement with the hockey authorities.

The six players left out are: Ashok Kumar and Govinda (forwards), Varinder Singh (wing half) and the full backs Aslam Sher Khan, Baldev Singh and Surjit Singh.

INDIAN PARTY: Goalkeepers: G. M. Fredericks, O. Fernandes. Full backs: G. Bengra, D. Dung, Gurdishpal Singh. Half backs: B. Claudius, Mehboob Khan, Bhaskaran and Karakotta. Forwards: Charanjit Kumar, V. J. Phillips (captain), Prabhakaran, Sukhbir Singh Grewal, V. Lakra, Surrinder Singh Sodhi, Zafar Iqbal.—Reuter.

TODAY'S FIXTURE: Women's territorial match: South v East (at Maidenhead, 2.0).

Skiing



Mrs Moser : her domination of women's downhill skiing is as great as ever.

Mrs Moser confirms top ranking

Garmisch-Partenkirchen, West Germany, Feb 1.—Annemarie Moser, the most successful woman skier of the decade, captured her third world title today in the world ski championship women's downhill here, and looked as though she could continue winning gold medals as she pleased.

When Mrs Moser finished the last official training run a Vienna journalist asked her: "Did you use the long skis or the shorter ones?" "Neither", the Austrian skier replied drily: "I used the fast ones."

Mrs Moser's time of one minute 48.31 seconds was less than a quarter of a second faster than that of the silver medal winner, Iren eEpple, of West Germany, but the 24-year-old is an expert at judging runs to perfection and her domination of women's downhill skiing is as great as ever.

A racer who did not figure in most experts' medal forecasts, a tall, raven-haired Swiss girl, Doris de Agostini, aged 19, conquered the nerves which have beset her in earlier years, and took third place. After her recent scintillating form which has taken her to three world cup downhill wins and two runners-up placings in five starts this season, Mrs Moser was the only logical favourite for today's event, postponed from yesterday because of blizzards and mist.

A slim, red-clad figure hunched low over her skis, she hurtled down the long-winding 1.75 mile course at an average speed of 58 miles an hour. Talking to journalists at a press conference, after the race the Austrian described her victory as "One of the finest in my career", and said she regarded it as having confirmed her top ranking after her temporary 20-month retirement at the end of the 1975 season. "There were a lot of people who said I'd never again be number one after I came back. It's gratifying to know I've proved them wrong", she commented.

Mrs Moser, one of a family of eight from Kleinarl near Salzburg, has never won an Olympic race—her self-imposed exile included the period of the Innsbruck Games in 1976. She took the downhill and combination titles at the 1974 world championships in St Moritz. Today, watched by 30,000 spectators in this upper Bavarian resort, she gave Austria their second gold medal of these championships. Her team colleague Sepp Walcher won the only other previous race, the men's downhill, on Sunday.

Miss Epple started as one of the relative outsiders, despite having scored some good results in world cup races earlier in the season, and she was as delighted with her silver medal as Mrs Moser was with her gold. "I never thought I'd win a medal, far less a silver. Things went badly on the top section of the as hard as I could on the lower course, but although I attacked stretch I thought I'd be lucky to get among the top five", she beamed.

A top British representative, Valentina Iliffe, aged 21, who lives in Italy and trains in the Alps, finished twentieth, two places better than in the Olympics. Six suffered falls in the race, including Hazel Hutcheon, from Dundee. She was not badly hurt.

LEADING RESULTS: 1, A. Moser (Austria), one min 48.31sec; 2, I. Epple (W Germany), 1:48.55; 3, D. De Agostini (Switzerland), 1:49.11; 4, M-T. Nadig (Switzerland), 1:49.64; 5, C. Nelson (US), 1:50.36; 6, E. Wittermaier (W Germany), 1:50.42; 7, B. Habersatter (Austria), 1:50.47; 8, M. Ellmer (Austria), 1:50.89; 9, I. Lukasser (Austria), 1:50.92; 10, M. Bader (W Germany), 1:51.04; 11, B. Zurbriggen (Switzerland), 1:51.61; 12, K. Kreiner (Canada), 1:51.82; 13, E. Dirren (Switzerland), 1:51.85; 14, J. Kurlander (US), 1:52.62; 15, S. Patterson (US), 1:52.92; 16, C. Gravina (Italy), 1:53.10; 17, H. Wiesler (W Germany), 1:53.55; 18, L. Kleitt (Canada), 1:53.76; 19, J. Soltysova (Czechoslovakia), 1:54.09; 20, V. Iliffe (GB), 1:54.10. British placings: 33, M. Cargill, 1:57.44; 56, L. Holmes, 2:58.23.—Reuter.

Cresta Run

ST MORITZ: Services championship: Prince Philip Trophy: 1, Army, 704.91; 2, Royal Air Force, 761.42; 3, Royal Navy, 754.79. Lord Trenchard Trophy: 1, Maj J. Woodall, 4/7 RDG, 174.88; 2, Maj G. Widdows, 15/19H, 175.61; 3, Capt A. Cherry QOR, 175.64; 4, Lt J. Deverell, RSDG, 178.78; 5, Flt-Lt D. C. Dalgleish, RAF, 181.71; 6, Capt N. D'Ambrumenil, Life Guards, 182.11; 7, Lt A. Usborne, RN, 183.37; 8, Capt G. Birdwood, Blues + Royals, 184.72; 9, Wing Cdr W. Stoker, RAF, 187.61. Auty Speed Cup: Maj J. Woodall, 58.19. Harland Trophy: 1, Flt-Lt R. Ruskell, RAF (h'cap 4.50), 173.24; 2, Capt M. Bromley-Gardner, QOH (3.0), 174.61; 3, Lt G. Greenall, Life Guards (scr), 174.70.

Ice hockey

WORLD ASSOCIATION: Houston Aeros 4, Birmingham Bulls 2; Edmonton Oilers 6, Indianapolis Racers 4; Winnipeg Jets 7, Quebec Nordiques 2.
NATIONAL LEAGUE: Atlanta Flames 7, Minnesota North Stars 4; Montreal Canadiens 6, Colorado Rockies 3; Pittsburgh Penguins 5, Detroit Red Wings 3; Vancouver Canucks 4, Washington Capitals 2.

Watson top earner

Washington, Feb 1.—The $40,000 prize for winning the San Diego Open moved Jay Haas into second place in 1978 United States golf tour earnings with $43,506.

PLACINGS: 1, T. Watson, $41,800; 2, J. Haas, $43,506; 3, M. Barber, $41,880; 4, J. Schroeder, $28,402; 5, L. Trevino, $26,757; 6, B. Crenshaw, $23,966. British placing: 37, A. Jacklin (GB), $6,117.—Reuter.

Athletics

Finland to find drug-takers

Helsinki, Feb 1.—The Finnish Olympic committee today promised to step up efforts to keep drugs out of athletics and warned that offenders face financial penalties. In a statement issued today the committee say training grants will be withdrawn from athletes found guilty of taking drugs.

The statement adds that the International Olympic Committee should work towards a foolproof system of excluding hormone preparations such as anabolic steroids.

The Finnish Athletics Federation are to publish instructions to clubs, coaches and athletes about ways of coping with drugs. This activity follows the suspension of three Finnish athletes who were shown to have taken anabolic steroids to improve performance in the European Cup here.

Remembering a legend

The Ladies' Golf Union have organized a memorial service for Cecilia Leitch, one of the legendary figures of women's golf in England on March 17 at 12.0 at St James's Piccadilly. Miss Leitch, who died on September 16 in her 87th year, lost only three of the 33 matches she played for England in the home internationals.

Swimming request

Lausanne, Jan 31.—The International Olympic Committee will consider, at a meeting in Athens in May, a request by the World Swimming Federation to reinstate three swimming events in future Olympic Games—the men's 4 x 100 metres free-style relay, and the 200 metres individual medley for men and women.—Reuter.

Two in contention

Wally Angliss (Harrow) takes on Wayne Evans (Waterlooville) the first contender for Johnny Owen's British bantamweight title, at Manor Place Baths on February 13.

...ennis

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...mmersley's success in ...d's European Top 12 ...nabled her to hold off ...right and retain the ...e position in the new ...ble Tennis Association ...Miss Knight has beaten ...ersley in their last five

...men's list Max Crim-...Surrey, has moved up ...to number three after ...recent successes. Denis ...sunk to number nine, ...ranking for many years. ...n has progressed from ...rth.

...ing places, with former ...n brackets, are:
...D. Douglas (1); 2, P. ...M. Crimmins (8); 4, J. ...5, D. Parker (12); 6. ...1.
...1, J. Hammersley (1); ...t (2); 3, L. Howard (3); ...(6); 5, A. Stevenson (8); ...(7).

Yesterday's snow reports from European resorts

	Depth (cm) L	Depth (cm) U	Piste	Conditions Off Piste	Runs to resort	Weather (5 pm) —	°C
Courmayeur	135	225	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	-3
New snow on good base							
Davos	70	140	Good	Powder	Good	Cloud	-3
New snow on good base							
Flaine	150	250	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	-8
Heavy snow all day							
Kitzbühel	40	90	Good	Powder	Fair	Cloud	-1
Worn areas covered by new snow							
Lermoos	50	140	Good	Varied	Good	Snow	-5
New snow on good base							
Les Arcs	125	195	Good	Varied	Good	Snow	0
Heavy snow, poor visibility							
Les Menuires	170	300	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	-4
New snow on good base							
Saas-Fe	120	210	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	-5
Good skiing on all pistes							
St Moritz	95	100	Good	Powder	Good	Fine	-10
Good light powder							
Seefeld	75	115	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	-1
All pistes in good condition							
Tignes	180	250	Good	Varied	Good	Fine	-3
Excellent piste skiing							
Val d'Isère	200	400	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	-2
Excelent skiing but some lifts closed							
Verbier	65	200	Good	Powder	Good	Snow	3
Good skiing everywhere							
Wengen	70	95	Good	Powder	Good	Cloud	0

In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper slopes. The following reports have been received from other sources:

	Depth (cm) L	Depth (cm) U	State of Piste	Weather —	°C
AUSTRIA					
Alpbach	55	70	Good	—	-10
Badgastein	10	75	Good	—	-8
Berwang	45	125	Good	—	-5
Brand	40	160	Good	—	-4
Gargellen	90	140	Good	—	-2
Hochsölden	50	140	Good	—	-9
Ischgl	80	120	Good	—	-10
Kaprun	—	315	Good	—	-17
Lech	110	200	Good	—	-6
Lienz	80	120	Good	—	-5
Mayrhofen	5	45	Good	—	-6
Mitterndorf	30	180	Good	—	-10
Obergurgl	90	210	Good	—	-4
Obertauern	175	220	Good	—	-12
Saalbach	55	150	Good	—	-10
Schruns	15	120	Good	—	-8
Serfaus	90	70	Good	—	-7
Wildschonau	—	90	Good	—	-5
Zürs	140	200	Good	—	-6
FRANCE					
Alpe d'Huez	230	550	Good	Snow	—
Chamonix	80	500	Good	Snow	—
La Clusaz	120	225	Good	Snow	—
Le Corbier	140	260	Good	Snow	—
Les Contamines	70	550	Good	Snow	—
Les Deux Alp	170	700	Good	Snow	—
Les Gets	180	220	Good	Snow	—
Megève	130	220	Good	Snow	—
Montgenèvre	180	250	Good	Snow	—
Morzine	120	160	Good	Snow	—
Pra-Loup	130	220	Good	Snow	—
St Gervais	100	210	Good	Snow	—
NORWAY					
Finse	130	145	Good	—	-8
Geilo	90	100	Good	—	-5
Gol	55	70	Good	—	-7
Lillehammer	65	95	Good	—	-4
Norefjell	140	150	Good	—	-4
Oslo	100	105	Good	—	-5
Rjukan	90	100	Good	—	-5

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Women in the police: turning the clock back?

Inspector Rachel James, of Devon and Cornwall police, is 5ft 8½in tall. She says she once tackled by herself "a load of drunken construction workers fighting with a group of local lads at Bridgwater—50 of them all milling around in the fog. I took the heat out of the situation and they went home quietly".

The point she makes is worth bearing in mind in the debate that has developed over the working of the Sex Discrimination Act in the police service. It is simply that, provided they are trained properly, *women* can do the same job as men. Women are good at cooling things down, she says. But *policemen* sometimes face aggression with aggression. And they tend to be over-protective towards their female colleagues.

Mr John Alderson, her chief constable, says that the deployment of women in a very violent or potentially violent situation has to be done with discretion. But the same applies to men, who in such situations, he points out, are not deployed singly but in twos, threes, or sometimes dozens.

The controversy has arisen because of reforms to be introduced in Avon and Somerset to protect policewomen from the dangers faced as the result of the Sex Discrimination Act. The provisions of that Act—passed two years ago—meant the abolition of the women's police department, and the policewomen were placed on the same 24-hour operational basis as the men.

But Mr Kenneth Steele, Avon and Somerset's chief constable, told a local police authority meeting that policewomen on night patrol in rough areas needed policemen with them for protection. The women were often unwilling to go into danger areas alone or to stop vehicles carrying two or more men.

So Mr Steele plans to set up new specialist units within his force for policewomen. They will operate on a 24-hour basis and deal with much of the work of the former women's police department, mainly concerned with women and children. Women not attached to the special units will still be available for operation shifts, but they will not patrol alone between 10 pm and 6 am.

Concern about the increasing recruitment of women first made an impact at the annual conference in September of the Police Superintendents Association of England and Wales. But the Home Office view expressed there was that any prospect of a change in the Act was unlikely without clear evidence that the performance of police duty was permanently prejudiced by its operation. At that stage the Home Office view was that such evidence did not exist.

The campaign which the Equal Opportunities Commission believes to be taking place has in fact gathered momentum since the conference, in an effort to convince Mr Rees of the need for change. Motions have also been submitted on the issue for the agenda of the annual conference of the Police Federation. The increase in public disorder, officers say, requires more men in the service rather than more women.

Part of the opposition to women coming into the service in increasing numbers springs from a suspicion that they are being used as a way of building up its strength without having to raise police pay substantially. The serious effect is that they are replacing experienced men in their middle years of service, who are taking their pensions, and leaving. Mr P. A. Myers, Chief Constable of North Wales, and president of the Association of Chief Police Officers, says that in some training centres the proportion of female officers had been as high as 40 per cent.

He added that some of them were 18½ years old, had just left school, were well educated and good looking—and might spend about 3½ years, on average, in the service.

"The natural chivalry of men does not allow rank and file policewomen to go out alone. They go out with men. And the net effect of the Act has been to turn the clock back. Thirty years ago the main complaint of policewomen was that they were answering the telephone and making tea, and they are having to do it again because of the Sex Discrimination Act."

But the rise in the percentage of female staff in English and Welsh police forces from 10.5 in 1970 to 25 in 1977 means that in some places, inevitably, women sometimes find themselves in the front line.

On the night after the National Front's march in Greater Manchester in October, the streets of the city were patrolled predominantly by women, and more people were arrested during one fight outside a city centre club than during the whole of the day's operations to deal with the political demonstrations. With help from the other divisions, the city centre's policewomen were involved in arresting 33 people.

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Unemployment and a case of living too easily with too high figures

You can get used to almost anything, given time, fashion and mind-bending gradualness. A well-known film critic, not so long ago, recalled with a kind of disapproval how shocked everyone would have been ten or 15 years earlier by some piece of entertainment that had just come up for review—and how shocked we ourselves should have been if we had not had the advantage of being conditioned by degrees into acceptance. What seemed to distress that critic (who didn't actually seem to like the fairly nasty film in question) was the idea that people would not have formerly tolerated what they tolerate now.

However, I do not myself assume that because we have become habituated to something, it is always quite right that we should be. Take, for instance, unemployment. A man of the nineteen-fifties, suddenly translated to 1978 by a time machine, and without the softening benefit of the intervening mind-bending years, would surely not have believed that the House of Commons could debate, in so desultory a manner as it did on Monday, the unemployment of a million and a half people—or that a Labour Government, with a majority of its own, could so easily beat off a Tory motion of censure. A man of the nineteen-fifties would be deeply shocked by unemployment on this scale, and perhaps still more by our listless acceptance of it.

He would be amazed that neither the debate nor the subject matter made much splash on television or in the press, presumably because nobody could find anything new to say. Such interest as there was appears to be concentrated on the announcement that various government schemes for "protecting" existing jobs were to be extended.

Yet what matters is not the Government's plans for preserving a few existing jobs but the number of people who are out of work now (which is likely to stay at something near the present total for the next two or three years). How have we become conditioned to this?

It is true that social security now makes unemployment less devastating and uncomfortable than it once was but I do not believe this is the main reason.

The explanation for the nation's indifference is, I think, that the unemployed themselves now have no leaders because unemployment itself is a by-product of a catastrophic period of inflation in which, by and large, wage rates for the majority in work have soared (and will again soar?) above rising prices—even though this has not been so lately.

During this time, trade union leaders have become absorbed in a new kind of ritual dance with the Government, trying to cooperate in various devices for curbing wage restraint and trading this cooperation for various "social" and political concessions extracted from the Government—none of which has anything substantial to do with unemployment or with the cure for unemployment, which is productivity.

The unions, for all practical purposes, have become the wage claimants for the people in work, whose interest, on a narrow view, has come to seem different from those out of work—and so, of course, has the Labour Party. This has come about in stages. Because of its attitude to wage restraint and industrial relations in opposition, and its overspending of public money in the first year or two after its return to office, the Labour Party bears the chief responsibility, after due allowance is made for the oil crisis, for the disastrous level of inflation that was reached in Britain.

To its credit, Labour was in a crisis prepared to deflate hard to save the system—though Sir Geoffrey Howe was quite right to point out that, even so, it is only North Sea oil which has enabled us to borrow our way out of this situation. To their credit also, the unions have supported the Government in the harsh remedies it has had to apply to the ill that both created—and on the shorter view, it is as a result of this necessary cure that we now have unemployment of a million and a half.

But on a longer timescale the causes of unemployment, and the reason why the oil crisis hits us harder than most other similar countries, are to be found in industrial attitudes for which government of all sorts, and managements and unions, all have shared responsibility.

In this situation, the remedies the Government is actually applying, except perhaps its assistance for small businesses, are no more than palliatives that risk doing actual harm.

The Temporary Employment Subsidy, which pays firms £20 a week for 12 months for each worker who would otherwise be redundant, and who is kept on, raises some nice questions. When, for instance, is a redundant worker about to be put off and when is he not about to be put off?

But more seriously it actually risks propping up jobs that may be uneconomic in one firm at the expense of more productive jobs in another. It used to be generally understood that one of the major justifications for a period of deflation was that it led to a shake-out of jobs, and enabled a movement of labour to take place from the less productive to the more productive forms of employment.

Not until we see some hope of a movement from unemployment to genuinely productive employment, rather than subsidizing jobs as such, will there be hope of a secure fall in the number of people out of work.

Mr Healey has "forecast" (on the basis of some of Neddy's industrial sector working parties) a possible improvement of the balance of payments by some £2,500m by 1980 leading to between 500,000 and 1m extra jobs. But this is a hope rather than a prediction; an idea of what could happen if certain sales targets are reached. It has no more certainty attached to it than Lord George-Brown's National Plan did. Other forecasts suggest that any significant reduction of the unemployed is unlikely before at least 1981.

Mr Healey, of course, is about to reflate general demand further by tax concessions. But what matters for the long run (and for a secure and high level of employment) is the kind of work that will be generated. In the end, the difference in the economic performance of this country and, say, West Germany, cannot be ascribed to some such simple proposition as that the Germans pay less tax than we do (substantially they do not) or that they do not have a welfare state (they do).

The difference between us is that the Germans work more effectively and produce a great deal the same manpower. Th different attitude to work power and productivity o of unions, as well as a n climate of industrial compe and an absence of an bureaucracy from the workers and industrialists. therefore much more pros

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We are all children of ou The Germans have a long h industrial cooperation: we But we had better get it. Conservatives need to sho the election that they can e it. It is essential unless we r to get used to a stagnant s social service payments, poor tion and high unemployme permanent feature of Britis

A few home truths about Philby's Silent War

Interest in the three spies—Philby, Maclean and Burgess—has been well sustained. They have been fortunate in the era into which they were born. Time was when spying was regarded as disreputable and treachery was relegated to dishonoured silence; but we live today amid shifting values and declining standards of public and private morality. It is a climate in which the anti-hero can flourish, especially the anti-hero who makes a fool of "the establishment".

Interest in the case has also been inflated by official reticence, which has left gaps in the story where gossip and speculation take root. In default of an authoritative account of what occurred, we are in danger of accepting at face value the glib evasions and half-truths of Philby himself. His book *My Silent War* was described by Graham Greene as "far more gripping than any novel of espionage I can remember". Unfortunately the public, including many who should know better, have not read the book as a novel; and it is all the more likely to be accepted as fact because SIS archives are unlikely to be published. An obligation to supply a corrective therefore rests upon those whose first-hand experience enables them to straighten at least some of the "facts" that Philby has twisted.

Philby's book was composed in Moscow, when his double-life was over and he could no longer combine the pleasure of living in a free society with the masochistic satisfaction of secretly working to destroy it. The hard realities of communist regimentation had at last caught up with him and, in retrospect, he naturally sought to glamorize his past life as a Soviet agent. His book also had to serve the disruptive aims of his Soviet masters by promoting the ideological struggle, extolling the virtues of the KGB and, above all, holding up to derision the British and American counter-espionage services and aggravating mistrust between them. This explains why his masters permitted him to write the book; it fails to explain why so many of his readers in the free world have apparently taken it as face value.

There are numerous passages in the book where facts have been twisted; but in what follows I propose to concentrate on one phase, which I observed myself, namely Philby's take-over of Section IX of SIS, the section that he built up ostensibly against world communism. I was transferred to SIS in September, 1943, as Foreign Office liaison officer, taking the place of Patrick Reilly (now Sir Patrick), who had been transferred to liberated Algiers. The post carried the designation PA/CSS, or Personal Assistant to "C", the head of the Secret Service. Shortly afterwards, a naval officer, Chris Arnold-Foster, was added to Sir Stewart Menzies's staff from within SIS with the designation CPA, or Chief Personal Assistant (not PSO, as Philby states). His primary task was to improve relations with MI5 and SOE. The latter secret organization had been taken as a rib out of the side of SIS and had objectives in the field that were sometimes in conflict with those of the parent organization. In comparison, relations with MI5 under Sir David Petrie were reasonably good; the striking success of British counter-espionage during the war was, in the main, the result of loyal cooperation. Later friction between SIS and MI5, some of it generated by the Philby case, has led some commentators to exaggerate wartime rivalry.

During the year before my transfer to SIS I had been Assistant Private Secretary to the Permanent Under-Secretary, Sir Alexander Cadogan, whose office provided liaison between the Foreign Office and all the secret organizations. I was therefore well aware that there were two feathers in the cap of SIS: one was the skilful decipherment by the Government Code and Cypher School at Bletchley, of which "C" was the nominal head, of enemy diplomatic and military communications; the other was the adroit use to which this and other material was put in the neutral Iberian peninsular by Section V of SIS, which was getting the better of its opposite number, the *Abwehr* (German Military Intelligence). All counter-espionage was nominally directed by Valentine Vivian, who was designated DCSS, or Deputy to "C"; but since 1941 Section V had been headed by Felix Cowgill and it was in large measure due to his drive and energy that so much success had been achieved. Cowgill, who had earned his reputation as an anti-communist expert in India, had joined SIS early in 1939 in the expectation that he would eventually succeed Vivian, who was a much older man. As war against Germany loomed, both men directed their efforts against that country; the anti-communist work was relegated to a small records section, which was later to provide the nucleus of Section IX.

Kim Philby headed the Iberian sub-section of V and I was soon able to verify the favourable reports that had reached me before I moved into Broadway Building. He was keen, hard-working and attentive to detail; unlike some of his colleagues, he preferred argument to confrontation and his stammer and disarming smile inclined one to listen to his arguments. He was not above showing at times a certain obsequiousness, which seemed to derive from genuine modesty. These wiles he employed with particular effect in his relations with Vivian and Arnold-Foster. In the period before 1943, when V was still housed in St Albans, Philby often travelled to London with Vivien in the latter's car and these journeys provided opportunities for discreet discussion of colleagues' weak points. It was a period when Vivian increasingly resented the initiative and independence shown by Cowgill, beside whom the DCSS was becoming a less and less substantial figure.

The chapter in which Philby describes how he ousted Cowgill from the succession to IX begins: "Long before the end of the war with Germany, senior officers in SIS began to turn their thoughts towards the next enemy". The intention of this sentence is, of course, to imply that resources were being diverted against the USSR at a time when that country was still fighting on our side against Hitler. Philby is too cautious to supply any exact date, but he succeeds in placing the events in the summer of 1943 by adding the following: "The next step was to canvass the Foreign Office. . . . A system was introduced in wartime whereby the Foreign Office seconded one of their officials for work in Broadway. . . . The first member . . . to be so seconded was Patrick Reilly, and he was still at his post in Broadway at the time of which I write". The fact is, however, that Reilly had left SIS nearly a year before the question of reactivating IX was canvassed. Nor was an approach made to the Foreign Office, which was not required to approve staff changes within SIS. Philby's shifting of the date is simply a piece of Cold War polemics.

The fact is that Cowgill had persistently advocated post-ponement of the build-up of IX until he had completed his commitment to the Armed Forces, by setting up in liberated Europe Special Counter-Intelligence Units. In pursuance of this aim, he was absent from London on a tour of duty when the intrigue against him came to a head. It was in October, 1944 that he returned to find on his desk a routine office circular to the effect that Philby would become head of a reconstituted Section IX in the following month. After Cowgill's resignation V was taken over by Tim Milne, who had been at Westminster with Philby, and his colleagues in V. Philby omits this fact and merely describes himself as having later headed both Sections.

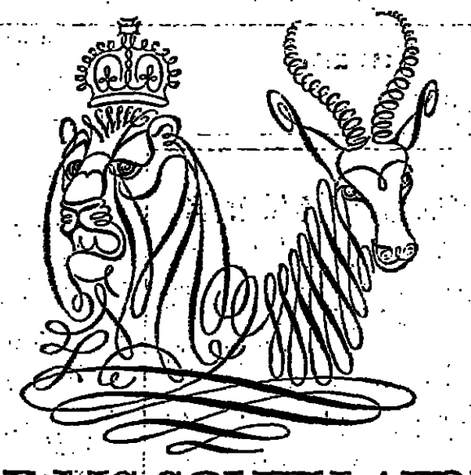
Towards the end of an exceptionally misleading chapter Philby observes: "Within a few days, I was taking over . . . I suggested to the Chief that, to regularize the position of the new Section IX, I should draft myself a charter for his signature. I cannot remember its exact wording." Here again, my memory serves me rather better than Philby's; his draft came to me in late February or early March 1945. While SIS staff changes did not require the prior approval of the Foreign Office, approval was required for any change in the direction of work, especially where there was a financial commitment for the future. The prosopals submitted by Vivian and Philby did not impress me at all favourably. It seemed to me (though with hindsight it may be thought politically naive to admit it) that an apparatus as large as that recommended might in the postwar world prove unnecessary. I was also critical of what seemed to me to be undue demands for "cover". The practice had been adopted before the war of using the post of Passport Control Officer to protect counter-espionage officers serving abroad. During the war the use of "cover" had expanded to a degree that was not relished by some diplomatic and consular officers, who hoped that the practice would be restrained after the war. I sent the draft back to its authors.

Some effort of historical imagination is needed to understand the thinking of those of us who, unlike Philby, were not already committed to the pursuit of the Cold War. Between the growing pessimism of Churchill and the optimism of Roosevel was room for a cons variety of inter opinions. Many harbou belief that, if once the I became committed United Nations, it m possible to build the wo from want and fear, o the Atlantic Charte spoken. Philby's "c belonged to a very d world, the world of the agent and of the ide struggle.

My rejection of Philby caused perturbation. I Vivian appeared in m within a few hours a their case in strong Philby, reasonable as ev duced the most cogen ment: surely, he said, i was disagreement; the Office should be allo decide. The proposals, few minor modification duly sent. I never sa reply; I had already bee fied of my transfer to W ton and by April 1945 I mid-Atlantic. I can well stand that this episode fi place in Philby's memo has a stomach that no a of hypocrisy can turn; e for this protagonist c "peace-loving peoples" cracies" to have insistec larger Cold War app when he might have opt a smaller one, must have him a queasy moment.

I only once saw Philby We met briefly in St J Park one murky afterno the late autumn of 1952. H out of a job, because friendship with Burgess linked him with the flig Moscow in May 1951 of Bu and Maclean. I was in Lo because I had taken Maclean's post as Head o American Department. I that Philby was under susp but I was not privy to th vestigation that was going He wore the hang-dog ex sion that went well with his dicament and, as usual, armed reproach. We excha a few words and, as we pa he smiled the wan smile of unjustly accused.

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Watchdogs of Crufts get a leash-hold tip

Sir Dudley Forwood, the charming Chairman of Cruft's Dog Show, strained at the leash yesterday to explain how little we need worry about sabotage at this year's show.

He was speaking in the aftermath of the poisoning of the champion chow Ukwong Adventurer at Stafford Show a few weeks ago, an occurrence which alarmed the doggy world.

Over luncheon at the Kennel Club, Sir Dudley effectively reminded me that since Charles Cruft organized his first show before the turn of the century there have been about as many poisoners as there have been cats at the show.

Exhibitors have, nevertheless, been individually reminded that the safety of their charges is entirely their responsibility.

Sir Dudley, who was equerry to the Duke of Windsor between the abdication and the start of the Second World War, told me: "It is, of course, so easy for someone to sabotage a dog. But it can't happen if the owner ensures a constant watch."

Certainly, the poisoning of Ukwong Adventurer and other incidents at different shows has not deterred owners from entering the two-day Cruft's show which starts at Olympia next Friday, February 10.

For the first time, Cruft's has topped the five-figure mark, with a total of 10,016 dogs



Not tongue-tied

You will have read in *The Times* yesterday how the voices of the West, including the BBC's and the Voice of America, are now being allowed to come over loud and clear in the Soviet Union. A happy example of no jam tomorrow.

Now I hear that the voice of Russia itself, Moscow Radio, is to experiment with an unfamiliar tongue. It will transmit three programmes in Esperanto. The first one goes out on Saturday.

The ape man and the warlord

With due acknowledgements to Aldous Huxley, I report that there was little of ape but much of the essence of strategic military planning during yesterday's Foyles literary luncheon at which Lord Zuckerman was chief guest.

Lord Zuckerman himself made only one brief reference to his early research work into the social habits of anthropoids. He said that when he presented his credentials on accepting the job as scientific adviser to Combined Operations during the last war, he confessed: "I know about apes."

It was Lord Mountbatten who chose Solly Zuckerman to help to plan the Allied invasion of Europe. Wearing his luncheon chairman's hat yesterday, he gave his version of the Zuckerman appointment. "I heard he had written a book about the sex life of primates, and I thought at first it was about what happened after the Archbishop of Canterbury switched off the light."

What I had not heard before was Lord Mountbatten's account of how he persuaded the former ape man to become chief scientific adviser to the Ministry of Defence in 1959. Lord Zuckerman was adamantly opposed to the idea. "It will need an awful lot of arm twisting", he said.

As he left the Mountbattens' home, Lord Louis took one arm and Lady Mountbatten took the other. They twisted until it hurt.

Lord Zuckerman will doubtless give his own version of the story in part two of his autobiography. It was to mark the publication of part one, *From Apes to Warlords*, that he was luncheon guest yesterday.

The scrounger

Richard Ball found the material for a book, which is published this week scrounging round demolition sites and raiding other people's skips for discarded, but useful, items.

The book, lavish by comparison with its subject matter, is called *The Whole House Omnibus* and is a guide to buying, improving and furnishing old houses. It costs £5.95.

Mr Ball's own most recent coups included six sets of brass knobs rescued from Wandsworth council dump, and a small mountain of Parana pine shelving obtained from a firm of City solicitors moving office. If you cannot get what you want in these ways, Mr Ball recommends the auction rooms. "Harrods", he says, "are quite good for what you scavenge from the streets."

Feeding inner Mongolia man

For Rose Heatley, an interpreter with the BBC team during their foray into China year—the results can be s on our screens next week—abiding memory is of a m in a herdsman's tent in In Mogolia.

"It was all done back from", she says. "Piles sticky cakes to start, th yoghurts and cream, follow by chunks of mutton which y cut up with a penknife. Af that noodles and at least glasses of fermented co milk."

The China visit yielded thr films, and Aubrey Singer, co troller of BBC 2, says th although the limitations we very real—"if you don't acce them, you don't go in at all" it was easier than filming Russia.

Julian Pettifer, the report in the BBC team, called th Soviet experience "a comple pain—they promise but don deliver". In contrast, when th Chinese arranged anything, the made sure it happened.

Nicholas Tanton, of Lower Kingswood, Surrey, is looking for a house in the Reigate area. He has received from an estate agent a communication about a property with a garden that has been "laid mainly to lawn, with a dwarf retaining wall". Mr Tanton, clearly a witty reader of this column, and possibly inspired by the items about gnomes which I have been carrying lately, takes up the cudgels on behalf of the little people, the fabled fairies at the bottom of the garden. They should have a gnome rule Bill, he suggests, to provide them with a measure of elf-determination.

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TARS APART

eek the Archbishop of ury spoke from the pul- the Roman Catholic al in Westminster of "a which burns in my a longing for the time embers of the Anglican man Catholic churches be enabled to receive ommuaion before each altars. That time, he felt, Was not a "wonderful of unity" now dis- by the two churches, and not deplorable that divi- still existed "at the point of unity", the nt of the Eucharist? Dr speculated about the of missionary strength to ed by the *termination of* isunity. He noted that ghout the world men and ordained and lay, in both nmunions are refusing to e in disunity" and are communion from one 's priests. He hinted that ce of the Holy Spirit may tter discerned in their than in the positions ined by accredited church . And he concluded with ad the speaker not been hbishop in a pulpit, one be inclined to describe as rement to break the rules. erdy Cardinal Hume, he nstrum of the General of the Church of England, ded. He indicated that he Dr Coggan's feelings of at this manifestation of y. He reminded the synod church's official view, is that sharing the sacra- of the Eucharist is a sign pression of unity achieved, hould not be used as a of anticipating full eccle- ommunion or accelerating ce of itsapproach. Sharing sacrament of the Eucharist pposed not only the same concering the sacrament but also a common faith neral. TheAnglican/Roman lic International Commis- f theologins had achieved markable convergence of on the three subjects of ucharist, the ministry and ity within the church. But r church had yet formally evaluated the conclusions or ratified them.

The two churches were already *in partial communion with one* another, he went on, but had not yet achieved full communion, which was the aim of their ecu- *menical endeavour; nor did they* yet know what diversity of doc- trinal emphasis or differences of practice would be desirable *or permissible. In short, "there* are other questions to be resolved before we can, as churches, approach the altar of *the Lord together".*

For the Archbishop of Canter- bury, now: for the Archbishop of Westminster, not yet.

The Cardinal, for all his frank- ness, did not in that company specify among the questions still to be resolved that of the status of Anglican Orders. Pope Leo XIII's Bull of 1896 pronouncing them to be "absolutely null and void" is still on the statute book, so to speak, partially discredited but not altogether a dead letter. It is not in the category of papal pronouncements which are vir- tually impossible to rescind or inter, but the procedure would be likely to be lengthy and is not perhaps to be expected in the present Pope's reign. Yet until that at least is accomplished, it is hard to see how Rome could grant an open general licence for inter-communion. The out- ward *characteristics of the* Roman church may be changing before our eyes since the in- auguration of the Second Vatican Council, but there are still some limits to the transformation.

It is to be noted that Cardinal Hume concluded that there were *still questions to be resolved* before they could *as churches* participate together in Holy Communion. That may possibly *leave the way open for limited* pastoral exceptions to the cor- porate discouragement of inter- communion. Already there is *permission in the Roman* Catholic church, subject to local interpretation, for non- Catholics to take communion at *Mass in places where the mini-* strations of their own clergy are not available. Many would like to see that exception extended to cover nuptial and requiem *Masses, expressly inter-deno-* minational occasions, and the joint celebration of the sacra- ment by husband and wife. Yet, *so long as the validity of* Anglican sacraments is in any sense in question at Rome, the most that can be expected in the *reverse direction is that Roman* Catholics whose consciences permit them to receive com- munion at the hands of an *Anglican priest would not* normally be made the subject of censure or ecclesiastical penalty.

One paradox seems to have *escaped comment.* Great emphasis is laid by the restric- tionists on the presence of con- gruence of doctrine and com- munity of faith as a precondition for inter-communion. Are they not demanding that there should exist between churches a state of affairs which it is no longer easy *to discern even within their own* church and which they are power- less to command even there? *Differences about doctrine and about the demands of the* Christian life and differences of liturgical style are just as obtru- sive within the main Christian denominations of the west as between them. Indeed it is argu- able that the most important dis- cordances and identities now intersect denominational lines. Nor, where differences of empha- sis or belief are found within a church, is it any longer much good searching for some authori- tative text or resolution which settles the matter for official purposes and allows one to say that, whatever may be the actual *differences of opinion, there at* least is the formal mind of that church. Even in the Roman Catholic church the force of that *kind of authority is less than it* was.

Is it in these circumstances appropriate to attach so much *weight to doctrinal conformity as* a condition for the communion of churches, especially when the ecumenical impulse which aspires *to that conclusion is itself a* solvent of conformity?

LAST LAST CHANCE

Leyland has had so "last chances" that it will monumental task to bring to all concerned the y of the present situation. have been moments in the t past when a new start d possible. On each occa- he dramatic advantage of oment has been frittered

This was the case when mpany under Lord Stokes bankrupt to the Govern- and effectively asked to be alized. It was the same the Ryder plan for the ny was unveiled and, last when the toolmakers' pay ential dispute put at risk *ntire forward investment* amme. The new chairman, ichael Edwardes, therefore, y started with a great dis- tage yesterday in establish- e credibility of the dire is that he presented.

result of yesterday's meet- is something of a personal ph. At least to that ce he communicated the y of the situation and the of the change in attitude erformance that is needed, deterioration in British d's position is to be ed. For it has become clear in the last three months that the outlook for the company on the basis of existing policies was catastrophic. The fall in the share of the home market, the demoralization of dealers, un- certainty about future models, *and poor management morale* were all contributing to an accelerating decline that was on the point of going out of control.

No one supposes that one effectively delivered speech solves problems. Mr Edwardes, however, indicated that, at least *from the top downwards*, the problems have been analysed and tackled on the basis of com- mercial realism. It remains to be seen whether this realism can be translated into results. In the main this will depend on whether Mr Edwardes is given political backing. For the moment the indications are that the Govern- ment has endorsed his plan of action and is ready to support him. The test will come, however, when redundancies and plant closures are discussed in practice. For the core of the Edwardes plan is that manning and produc- tion of volume cars by British Leyland should be based on realistic assumptions about the market available. In contrast, the Ryder plan was based on quite unrealistic assumptions, both about the size of the market and of Leyland's share of it.

The central feature of the reorganization that Mr Edwardes has set in train is the loosening of Leyland into its component parts. The vice of the Ryder plan's excessive centralization was that the profitable and potentially profitable parts of the enterprise were linked with and weighed down by the mass- car division. Now it will be possible to see more clearly where the problems lie and to take the necessary remedial action.

Mr Edwardes knows that he has a massive and uphill task. He is operating in an industry which he does not know. His senior management have been over-preoccupied in the recent past with internal politics and personal survival. His apparently autocratic manner in the weeks since he has been at Leyland has unnerved many of those on whose loyalty his plan will depend. Yesterday he showed that he is determined to provide positive leadership and not to be overwhelmed by events. If British Leyland does not respond this time, it will be a disaster.

E DANGER OF DRIFTING TO STANSTED

the downfall of the Roskill official statements about al airport policy have to be on the terse side. skill's painstaking applica- of every known aid to foresight could be so ly and ignominiously over- by events, it might seem ne could scarcely do worse by closing the eyes and ng. Yesterdays White covers a much wider field Roskill, yet it deploys all uments in fewer than fifty Its tone is one of modest lingness to lay claim science, and of concern to options open.

to a point this is wise. is every reason to springing into expensive ons before they become utely necessary. But there is a danger that avoiding ons may amount to the of decisions by default, e White Paper comes close irting that danger. It takes confirms a number of tant decisions about the capacity of the existing ts around London—Heath- to plan a fourth terminal ot a fifth, Gatwick a second nal but no second runway and so on. Good cases can be made out for most of these decisions (though the Heath Government's rejection of an extra runway at Gatwick con- tinues in retrospect to seem a mistake).

But the cumulative effect of *these decisions is to bring nearer* the date at which London's air- ports will be unable to cope with the growth in traffic. The docu- *ment argues with some force* that air traffic is a source of national prosperity which should not if possible be constrained, *and that the scope for diverting* passengers to airports outside the South-east is limited. It is possible, of course, to dispute the forecast that the number of passengers will at least double by 1990 (it assumes that oil prices will rise by 50 per cent in real terms in that time).

Developments already in view should serve until 1990, and per- haps longer. A dozen years is ample time in which to choose and build a new airport, but not so long that we can put the question off altogether. For the later a decision is taken, the more likely it will be that the major expansion will after all be at Stansted. The White Paper makes no such prediction—it speaks cautiously of growth to four million passengers a year or perhaps 16 million—far short of the 50 million that a major air- port might take. But it com- ments dismissively on the expense and remoteness of Maplin, Stansted's main rival. Between the lines, the official *preference is clear.*

There are some strong argu- ments for Stansted, if major development becomes unavoid- *able. There are also strong* objections, both on environ- mental grounds (which Roskill found conclusive) and on *grounds of accessibility, even* since the opening of the M11. But there is an airport there with room for expansion—so it is in many ways the natural, the easy choice. Maplin would re- quire more nerve. It would cost more, and a more clear-cut decision would have to be taken years in advance of need. But in terms of regional planning the advantages of setting the airport near the sea (potentially near a seaport) in an area of small population and low prosperity are very great. As the threat grows that either Stansted or Maplin will ultimately be required, it is important that the choice should be fully con- sidered, and not settled by default.

fe place to play

the General Secretary of the

s General Secretary of the trade union concerned with ansport I have strong views e dangers to children and rail igers caused by the increasing of playing on railway lines. ions of passengers are carried by rail each year but it is fact that during 1976 21 chil- were killed while trespassing lway lines, nine of whom were ured.

In addition, railwaymen and rail passengers are in daily danger from missiles hurled by children from railway bridges and only last week a passenger train was derailed as a result of an obstruction placed on the line by vandals. Fortunately on this occasion a major disaster was averted by the prompt action of the train's driver.

I have always felt that much of this problem stems from a serious lack of play facilities and I am, therefore, protesting against the Government decision to stop fund- ing Fair Play for Children. This organization is a unique pressure *group which promotes better play* facilities of every type for all age groups and if it is forced to close through lack of funds it is my belief that a decrease in railway safety and an increase in the num- ber of children killed and injured while trespassing on railway lines will be the inevitable results.

Yours faithfully,
S. WEIGHELL,
General Secretary,
National Union of Railwaymen,
Unity House,
Euston Road, NW1.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Voting on Scottish devolution

From Mr George Cunningham, MP for Islington South and Finsbury (Labour)

Sir, Your leading article of January 27 accepts that a minimum per- formance for the Scottish referen- dum should be prescribed but says that to require 40 per cent of the electorate to vote "Yes" is too high. My 40 per cent test will not determine whether devolution goes ahead, but only whether the result is inconclusive enough to merit reconsideration by Parliament, with the even-handed option of imple- menting the Act or repealing it. Without the test, Parliament's only device for dealing with an incon- clusive result is to refuse to name a commencement day.

You say that 40 per cent is too high because it might mean "deny- ing Scotland an assembly when a comfortable majority of those voting had come out in favour of it". *Surely no one suggests that a con-* stitutional change of this import- ance should take place if (to take an extreme case) only a quarter of the electorate goes to the polls, even if the "Yeses" have a large majority of the votes cast.

If the poll is the average poll Scotland has had in general elec- tions over the past 30 years (and why should it not be when the pressure from the media will be so intense?) the "Yeses" need to get only 51.7 per cent of the votes cast in order to meet the 40 per cent test. On a 70 per cent poll they would need to get just 57 per cent of votes cast. These are not mighty obstacles given that we have been told that all objections to the devo- lution plan on merits must be swept aside because of the irresistible widespread demand for it in Scot- land. Can it be that the SNP and the Government do not believe their own propaganda but feel they must establish that assembly whether Scotland wants it or not?

If we drop the threshold to 33½ per cent of the electorate, you could have a referendum result of "Yes" 33½ per cent, "No" 16⅔ per cent, "No" vote 50 per cent and that would pass the test. Surely a result like that must come back to Parliament for consideration. Parliament might decide on the balance of fairness and political necessity that, even with so little support, the Act should be imple- mented but it is certainly worthy of consideration for our duty is not only to give Scotland an assembly if she wants it, but not to impose an assembly if she does not want it.

Yours faithfully,
GEORGE CUNNINGHAM,
House of Commons.
February 1.

Sri Lanka's Constitution

From the High Commissioner for Sri Lanka

Sir, While thanking you for your leader today (February 1), concern- ing the inauguration in Sri Lanka *of an elective and executive* Presi- dency, I seek to correct some mis- leading impressions of these de- velopments which may arise from your correspondent's report of them, date lined *Colombo* and appearing at page six of today's issue of your paper.

It is of fundamental importance that the United National Party's manifesto gave high priority and prominence to the proposed change from the Westminster pattern which prevailed, to an elective and executive Presidency encompassing features of both the American and French systems. Thus, the unprece- dentedly large mandate received by the UNP at the last elections carried *with it overwhelming public approv-* al of the proposed constitutional change. The report, unlike the leader, fails to mention this aspect.

Moreover, your correspondent appears to confuse impending fur- ther changes in the Constitution with change which has already oc- curred. The Second Amendment creating an elective and executive Presidency is already law, and there is no element of anticipation in the assumption of that office by the present Prime Minister.

Finally, though stressing opposi- tion allegations that, under the new system, a President faced with the prospect of a parliamentary censure motion might seek to preempt it *by dissolving Parliament, your cor-* respondent fails to mention the Government's refutation of it. That is, that if the people were not with the President in such action, they would then have opportunity to return a House even more vigor- ously opposed to him. He would then face a choice between resigna- tion or repudiation of the Constitu- tion. If he were minded to adopt the latter course, he would not need the trappings of constitutional legality anyway.

Yours faithfully,
N. WIMALASENA,
High Commissioner,
High Commission for the Republic of Sri Lanka,
13 Hyde Park Gardens, W2.
February 1.

Coach and Concorde

From Mr Hugh Brogan

Sir, Professor Brock's excellent letter in today's *Times* (January 27) speaks for itself; but I would like to underline one point.

All of those who write frequently to the United States are aware that while the air mail rate for letters is tolerable, that for packages of any weight is extortionate, and can bear no relation to the actual cost to the carrier. For example, I sent a single paperback (a Puffin) as a Christmas present to a nephew in Washington, at a book rate of more than a pound. At parcel rate it would have cost more than £2. It is impossible to believe that either of these charges is economically justified. At the same time, as Professor Brock *indicates, the surface mail is hope-* less. It is high time that the air mail rates were totally overhauled.

Yours sincerely,
HUGH BROGAN,
Department of History,
University of Essex,
Wivenhoe Park,
Colchester.
January 27.

Sharing communion services

From the Principal of Westfield College

Sir, Study of the full text of Dr Coggan's sermon leaves no doubt *that Wednesday, January 25, 1978,* will go down in history as the day on which the Church of England formally asked, through the words of its archiepiscopal head, and in the presence of the Cardinal Arch- bishop of Westminster, for the Roman Catholic Church's accept- ance of the practice of inter-com- *munion without more ado. For* Anglicans, then, this is the public and authoritative culmination of a historical process started by the First Week of Prayer for Unity in 1908, developed through such meet- ings as that at Malines in 1925 (which invented the phrase "unity without absorption") and mani- *fested in the recent statements of* the Anglican-Roman Catholic Inter- national Commission.

Against such a background, the Archbishop's sermon could reason- *ably have been expected to contain* an unequivocal statement of the Anglican reconciliation of the Roman Catholic and Protestant beliefs regarding the sacraments of communion. But it is not easy for the committed Anglican to under- stand the sermon in this sense: on the contrary, Dr Coggan seems moved to blur essential distinctions and to be imprecise where precision is vitally required.

I therefore venture to question two or three of the Archbishop's *key assertions in the hope that,* again in public, he will find it possible to clarify them, if only for the benefit of his own laity who are, for their own good reasons of faith, Anglican Christians rather than Roman Catholic Christians.

The first serious question arises from his emphasis on the need for a "*greater common witness to* Christ before the world in the work of evangelization". In speaking of "the meteoric rise in world popula- tion", of "the untouched masses", and of "many parts of the world", he seems to see the need for inter- communion arising principally from practical considerations uncharacter- *istic of the Western world—as* though the problems of an under- developed country where Christian denominational niceties appear in- significant against the non-Christian indigenous religion, can be carried over, pari passu, to the typically well-priested English town.

The second question arises from the Archbishop's assertion that the impact that we Christians make on the world "is pathetically feeble, the witness we bear is muted, the vision which we share is blurred". Therefore, says he, "we go to our mission weak, where we should be strong and invigorated by joint par- ticipation in the Supper of our Lord". No one would dispute the importance of a sense of mission but to assert that, without inter- communion, this sense will be for- ever stunted and ineffective is not merely unsustainable, unproven, and unhistoric—it also belittles those whose joint participation in their denominational communion sustains their daily witness to Christ.

Third, the Archbishop puts emo- tional argument ahead of the *fundamental question of the rela-* tionship between the worshipper and his Maker at the act of com- munion, when he urges the Churches to act by virtue of his simple assertion that, "throughout the world" the sacrament of unity is being practised by "Roman Catholics receiving at Anglican hands the tokens of Christ's pas- sion, and vice versa". Thus are pro- found theological problems, not to mention deeply considered personal positions, swept aside with a wave of a wand inscribed "tokens".

A few years ago, in this College, I shared the Archbishop's vision that we might all "draw *together* in faith and take this Holy Sacra- ment to your comfort"; and so within the one Chapel I arranged a joint celebration with our two main denominational College congrega- tions dividing only for the conse- cration and communion. It was well prepared in every sense and well attended *too*; yet it was empty: for the theologies were different.

Dr Coggan's courage in proclaim- ing his vision of unity is admirable; but on behalf of all those of his flock who try to understand what we do at the Lord's Table I appeal to him as the Head of our Church and as our ultimate earthly spiritual mentor, to respect our need for doctrines to match his enthusiasms.

Yours faithfully,
BRYAN THWAITES,
Westfield College,
(University of London),
Kidderpore Avenue, NW3.
January 31.

From the Reverend F. X. H. Gresham, OP

Sir, The Archbishop of Canterbury's sermon in Westminster Cathedral voiced what is widely spoken of today as "the pain of separation". Presumably this is some sort of psychological transcript of what we used to call "the scandal of dis- *unity", and the shift in emphasis* seems to underline the real progress made by ecumenical endeavour.

However, it may be worth while asking just how acute and wide- *spread the experience of such* "pain" may be. Recent experience in parish and university contexts makes me wonder whether it is not a phenomenon encountered only in very restricted circles: inter-church marriages and professional ecclesi- astics spring to mind, together with a tiny handful of radical Catholics who in any case tend to sit loose to doctrinal traditions and find their most congenial milieu among Christians of other churches who share their theological colouring. To say that most Catholics do not *feel* "pain" is in no way to accuse them of insensitivity. They usually have close and intimate Catholic friends with whom they never worship, so why should they feel "pain" at never sharing in communion with their Anglican friends?

Partly, I feel, this is the result of what I might call a "congregational- ist shift" in Catholic practice since Vatican II. The strong sense of distinctiveness nurtured on the Latin liturgy and traditional devo- *tions is fast disappearing; alterna-* tive styles of celebration focus allegiance on the local church rather than on the Church Universal; abandonment of services other than the Mass has killed "twice-a-day" church attendance; television and Series 3 have diminished the aesthetic appeal of Anglican wor- ship; and the real progress made in "agreed statements" on the eucharist, ministry and authority has been largely offset by the spectacle of Anglican academics *apparently playing fast and loose* with central doctrines of the Incar- nation and Resurrection of Christ.

The hoped-for reunion is in danger of becoming a marriage of weak- nesses. Both churches need to draw breath, recover their vitality, re- discover in loving dialogue all that is best in their separate traditions; *then, and only then, will they have* something to offer each other that will be a real enrichment and a basis for joyful communion.

Yours faithfully,
F. X. H. GRESHAM, OP,
Catholic Chaplain,
University of York,
More House,
Heslington,
York.
January 31.

From Ms L. Wright

Sir, The Archbishop of Canterbury's advocacy of direct action to attain inter-communion between the Angli- can and Roman Catholic Churches, will be an encouragement to those who recently took direct action on behalf of women priests, to enable them to administer Holy Com- munion.

Yours sincerely,
L. WRIGHT,
51 Lycett Road,
Dringhouses,
York.

From Mr and Mrs J. Gibson

Sir, Can Christ be split up? Why don't Christians just peacefully respond to God's Spirit from their hearts, in spite of discouragement from church authorities and self- righteous claims to truth?

Yours faithfully,
JOHN GIBSON,
RONHILD GIBSON,
33 Ashbourne Court,
Woodside Park Road,
North Finchley, N12.
February 1.

Allied air offensive

From Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir William Dickson

Sir, Your paper and other prominent papers have featured reviews of Lord Zuckerman's autobiography *From Apes to Warlords.*

The title of the book and the *reputation of Lord Zuckerman com-* bine to ensure wide interest in both the reviews and the book itself. It is because of this publicity that I write to deprecate, as I am sure he will, the belittling of the *Allied* strategic offensive against Germany, which is made or implied in some of these reviews.

In all comment on particular aspects of the war it is important to get it into proper perspective. The bomber offensive was a vital part of Allied grand strategy. Be- cause Germany was all powerful on land the war-making potential of German industry had to be the prime Allied military objective. Failure to make it so was to give Hitler certain victory. *Its effect was decisive. It* forced Germany onto the strategic defensive in the air and gave us almost complete air superiority out- side Germany. Without this superiority our campaigns in Africa and Italy could not have succeeded as they did and "Operation Over- lord", which is the central feature in Lord Zuckerman's book, would have been impossible. This and the dislocation of the German military, industrial and economic system was also the main factor in Germany's inability to withstand the advance of the Allied and Russian armies.

It is in this perspective that one must view the conduct of individual actions such as the role of the bomber forces in assisting our re- entry into Europe.

I look forward to reading Lord *Zuckerman's story as I share the* high opinion held of his contribution to the planning of those operations. The only purpose of this letter is to try and check a growing tendency among some writers, and others who are not historians, to condemn the strategic air offensive as ineffective and a needless cause of civilian casualties. Almost invariably these *people cite Dresden as an example* for national shame. It was indeed a beautiful city and its destruction a tragedy, but reference to the records will show that it was also a military target of key importance on the Russian front and that its attack was urged by Stalin and approved by Eisenhower and by the Combined Chiefs of Staff. It was not the wan- ton act that they imply and we owe it to the 140,000 aircrew who lost their lives in the air offensive to keep the record straight.

Yours faithfully,
W. F. DICKSON,
Foxbriar House,
Cold Ash,
Newbury,
Berkshire.
January 31.

Music on Radio 3

From Mr Toby Jessel, MP for Twickenham (Conservative)

Sir, Recovering here from an operation after a ski accident, and awoken today (January 30) by hospital crack-of-dawn routine, Radio 4 greeted me with chilling descriptions of the worst snow- storms to hit Britain in 30 years.

Never has any skier moved so fast in switching over to Radio 3, *and a finely moving performance of* Schumann's 2nd Symphony. It made my morning. To hell with the morons who want to cut it, and long live Mr Stephen Hearst, and his splendid team on Radio 3 who pro- vide us with such a wonderful variety of good music.

Yours faithfully,
TOBY JESSEL,
King Edward VII's Hospital for Officers,
Beaumont Street, W1.
January 30.

Locating vehicles buried in snow

From Mr G. W. T. Barnett

Sir, I have recently been watching, along no doubt with thousands of *others, the television account of how* the Army is locating buried vehicles on the snowy roads of Caithness and Sutherland. The soldiers appeared to be using survey ranging poles and were prodding the drifts at perhaps 2 metre centres, while an officer described how a hundred miles or more might have to be *searched in this manner.*

A simple magnetometer either airborne, or carried on foot, would locate any vehicle, even a bicycle, with precision under such con- ditions, and provided a helicopter could fly 20 miles of road could be scanned in an hour.

In view of the extreme urgency of finding people, who have been trapped in vehicles, it seems extra- ordinary that magnetic methods were not used immediately.

Yours faithfully,
G. W. T. BARNETT,
Lea Cross Geophysical Co Ltd,
Hanwood,
Shrewsbury,
Shropshire.

Discussing racial matters

From Mrs E. Wendy Staines

Sir, Although I do not wish to support the content of Margaret Thatcher's expressions concerning immigration on Monday (January 30), one aspect *arising from this* must be made clear. We must not allow the situation to arise whereby anyone mentioning any aspect of race or immigration is labelled a racialist. From the Labour outcry this morning this situation is fast becoming a reality.

It is imperative that all subjects *likely to cause tension and raise* prejudice must be treated by all persons in the public eye with honesty and complete openness. If the present Government would fol- low this policy then many alleged fears might be dispelled, otherwise the way lies open for rumours and surmise leading to distrust and unrest.

It must also be pointed out that recognition that a lessening in im- migration is desirable comes from many immigrants, since they realize, as do many others, the necessity to stabilize and assimilate those now part of our society, in order to benefit all its members.

Yours faithfully,
E. WENDY STAINES,
69 Elm Bank Gardens,
Barnes, SW13.

From Mr J. P. Dean

Sir, Mrs Thatcher has made clear the direction of Conservative think- ing on immigration although it can- not yet be said that the party has a policy on the matter. Mrs Thatcher's remarks also reveal that she has strong personal feelings which she is willing to state frankly.

Mrs Thatcher expresses concern that the British character will be swamped and that fundamental British characteristics will be lost because of the rate of immigration. She has no reason to fear the dis- appearance of the British character nor the dilution of fundamental British characteristics for such traits are far more enduring than the shifts of outlook and behaviour expressed in society at any particu- lar time. They will continue for as long as Britain remains a nation.

The concern of politicians must instead be directed towards under- standing the real reasons for the misery, fear and alienation which exists in the community as a whole.

When these negative emotions run strongly in society the mind of a nation will always turn in on itself and turn against those in its midst who originate from different nations and cultures. The British character is only belittled by this uncharacteristic xenophobia. Let all politicians of good will unite at this time in seeking a common approach to the issue of immigration, resolv- ing from that common standpoint to discover the underlying causes *of discontent for which immigration* provides a convenient but dangerous and ultimately destructive outlet.

Yours faithfully,
J. P. DEAN,
5 Bentinck Mansions,
Bentinck Street, W1.

A film on Mr Bukovsky

From Mr Aubrey E. Singer

Sir, David Markham (letter, January 30) might check his facts before pointing the shaking finger of accusation! The film made by Alan Clarke on Bukovsky was not commissioned by the BBC. It was a private venture offered to BBC2 after it had been offered to other television organizations, and re- mained unsold.

At the time, BBC2 was making a "Man Alive" programme on dissi- dents—and indeed, had filmed material with Bukovsky which dupli- cated much of the subject matter that was in the Alan Clarke film, *simply because we were unaware of* its existence. We therefore decided not to purchase the Alan Clarke film. This is hardly a question of "banning" it.

Yours faithfully,
AUBREY E. SINGER,
Controller BBC2,
BBC Television Centre, W12.
January 30.

A donnish dust up

From Mr K. R. Minogue

Sir, Allow me to emphasize, in case Philip Howard's entertaining piece on a donnish dust up (January 31) should leave the matter in doubt, that there is no question whatever of my "insult- ing" Professor Griffith in my review of *The Politics of the Judiciary.* I criticized the book's account of the problems of judicial impartiality, and argued that it led to a conclusion which Professor *Griffith, the least terroristic of men,* would certainly disown. If criticism in terms of inconsistency constitutes "insult" we should all have to hang up our pens.

Yours sincerely,
KENNETH MINOGUE,
London School of Economics and Political Science,
Houghton Street, WC2.

SOCIAL NEWS

A memorial service for Michael, seventh Lord Henley, will be held at St Margaret's, Westminster, today at noon.

A memorial service for Philip Wills will be held at St Clement Danes, at noon on Friday, February 3.

A memorial service for Mr Harvey Thompson will be held at St Bride's, Fleet Street, tomorrow at noon.

The President of the French Republic is 52 today.

Birthdays today

The Most Rev Dr S. Y. Blanch, 60; Major-General R. H. Farrant, 69; Mr Jascha Heifetz, 77; Sir Evan Jenkins, 82; Dame Alix Meynell, 75; Major-General R. F. H. Nalder, 83; the Right Rev Dr J. H. L. Phillips, 68; Lord Reigate, 73; Sir Alfred White, 76.

Memorial service

Dr P. M. Kaberry

A memorial service for Dr Phyllis M. Kaberry was held at the University Church of Christ the King, Gordon Square, yesterday. The Rev William Sykes officiated. Lord Annan, Provost of University College London, read the lesson and Professor Sir Raymond Firth gave an address.

Today's engagements

Princess Margaret, as President, attends executive committee meeting of Girl Guides' Association, 17 Buckingham Palace Road, 10.40.

Prince Michael attends RAC's Diamond Jubilee Trophy, Pall Mall, 7.45.

Museum of London, London Wall: Practical workshop session, pilgrim badges, Brian Spencer, 1.10.

Talks: St Botolph, Aldgate, "War and Peace", Canon L. J. Collins, 1; St Olave's Hart Street, Sir Bernard Miles reads from Pepys's Diary 1.05; The mistress in law, legal lecture, Miss A. Dawn H. Oliver, Chemistry Theatre, Gower Street, University College, 5.15. "Year of Decision", a programme of films on nuclear power: Merseyside Visual Communications Unit, The Grapes, Hood Street, Liverpool, 7.30.

Newgate Gallery, 144 Newgate Street, City; Sir William Russell Flint, exhibition of prints, 10-5.

Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers Street, Edinburgh: Exhibition, Animals in Art, 10-5.

Memorial services: Lord Plurenden, St Martin-in-the-Fields, 11.30: Lord Henley, St Margaret's, Westminster, noon; Senator Hubert Humphrey, American Church, Tottenham Court Road, noon.

60th anniversary of Royal Air Force formation

The Ministry of Defence announces that a service of thanksgiving to commemorate the sixtieth anniversary of the formation of the Royal Air Force will be held in Westminster Abbey at 11 am on Saturday, April 1.

Admission will be by ticket. Some will be available for former members of the Royal Air Force, first consideration being given to "founder members" (those who were serving with the RAF on April 1, 1918). The issue of all tickets will be confined to a maximum of two for every applicant. If the demand for seats is excessive a ballot for successful applicants will be organized.

Written applications enclosing a stamped self-addressed envelope should reach the Ministry of Defence, S4c(Air), Room 5.80, Metropole Building, Northumberland Avenue, London, WC2N 5BL, not later than February 28, 1978, and should state: name, former rank, service dates, whether a "founder member" or a member of any particular RAF ex-Service organization or association, and whether one or two tickets are required. Applications received after February 28 cannot be considered. It is regretted it will not be possible to assist in travel arrangements to attend the service or to enter into correspondence regarding applications.

Tickets and a note about dress for the occasion will be issued about ten days before the service. Should it be necessary to ballot for tickets, unsuccessful applicants will be notified at that time.

Applications for tickets should not be sent to Westminster Abbey.

25 years ago

From The Times of Saturday, Jan 31, 1953

Sunday observance

A private member's Bill on Sunday observance failed yesterday by a large majority to get its second reading in the House of Commons. That was expected. Parliament would have been going well ahead of bewildered and divided public opinion had it voted in favour of allowing games to be professionally played and stage theatres to open on Sundays. What was not expected was the second vote, which went, though only narrowly, against the setting up of an inquiry to consider whether the national welfare calls for some revision of the existing laws. This decision is a rejection of the expressed opinion of spokesmen of the churches themselves . . . Sir Hugh Lucas-Tooth brushed aside the argument that a number of obsolete statutes still remain in force and maintained that nothing was at stake except the principle of preserving or rejecting the illegality of Sunday commercial entertainment.

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Forthcoming marriages

The Rev A. C. C. Courtauld and Dr E. A. Molland

The engagement is announced between Christopher, eldest son of the late Augustine Courtauld and of Lady Butler of Saffron Walden, and Elizabeth, daughter of the late Prebendary John W. G. Molland and of Mrs Molland, of Axminster, Devon.

Signor G. Gregoris and Miss H. S. March-Phillipps

The engagement is announced between Gianfranco, only son of the late Signor Giacomo Gregoris, of Monfalcone, Italy, and Henrietta Sophia, only daughter of the late Major Gustavus March-Phillipps, DSO, RA, and of Lady Marling, Woodcray Manor Farm, Wokingham, Berkshire, and stepdaughter of the late Sir John Marling, Bt, OBE.

Mr J. W. Campbell and Miss A. E. Okell

The engagement is announced between James, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J. Campbell, of Finvoy, Ballymoney, co Antrim, Northern Ireland, and Ann, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. C. Okell, of Hurlingham, Johannesburg.

Mr G. J. Dale and Miss I. A. Danaher

The engagement is announced between Geoffrey James, son of Mr and Mrs B. J. Dale, of Caynham House, Ludlow, Shropshire, and Ingrid Ann, only daughter of the late Mr K. J. Danaher, and of Mrs W. M. C. Danaher Von Halasz, and stepdaughter of Mr R. Von Halasz, of Hanover, West Germany.

Mr P. H. Dickinson and Miss J. W. E. Tate

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr and Mrs H. Dickinson, of Romiley, Cheshire, and Judith, daughter of Mr and Mrs T. K. Tate, of Wimbledon.

Mr A. K. Gordon and Miss A. J. Harvey

The engagement is announced between Angus, only son of the late Captain K. E. Gordon and of Mrs Gordon, of South Brent, Devonshire, and Alison, daughter of the late Mr R. S. Harvey and of Mrs Harvey, of San Francisco.

Mr R. A. E. Gordon and Miss P. J. Taylor

The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Major and Mrs C. V. E. Gordon, of Trieste, Italy, and Pamela, only daughter of Wing Commander and Mrs P. B. Taylor, of 19 Park Drive, Harrogate.

Mr T. G. Harrison and Miss S. K. M. Brewis

The engagement is announced between Timothy George, son of Mr and Mrs Wesley Wells Harrison, of 15 Trinity Road, Taunton, and Sylvia Katharine Moira, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Brewis, of Ardwell House, Stranraer.

Mr J. G. Lawson Reid and Miss M. E. Glanville

The engagement is announced between John Gladstone Lawson Reid, of Wimbledon, London, SW19, and Marguerite Elizabeth, younger daughter of the late Mr H. C. F. Glanville and Mrs Glanville, of Kenton, Middlesex.

Dr J. H. C. Patten and Miss L. A. V. Rowe

The engagement is announced between John Haggett Charles, only son of Mr Jack Patten, of Great Bookham, Surrey, and the late Mrs Maria Olga Patten, and Louise Alexandra Virginia, younger daughter of Mr J. B. Rowe, of Holme-next-the-Sea, Norfolk, and Mrs Claire Rowe, of London, SW6.

Mr P. H. B. Purdon and Miss C. A. Barker

The engagement is announced between Patrick Hamish Brooke, elder son of Major-General C. W. B. Purdon, CBE, MC, and Mrs Purdon, of Farley Cottage, West Street, Reigate, Surrey, and Caroline Anne, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs T. Devereux Barker, of Hamme House, South Nutfield, Surrey.

Mr H. E. B. Somerset and Miss D. M. Davies

The engagement is announced between Edward, only son of Mr and Mrs G. E. E. Somerset, of Bampton, Devon, and Diana, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F. W. T. Davies, of Barton under Needwood, Staffordshire.

Mr J. M. Stoke and Miss H. B. A. Mottram

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, youngest son of Mr and Mrs G. A. Stoke, of Rickmansworth, and Barbara, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J. A. H. Mottram, of Edinburgh.

Mr G. A. Zaki and Miss S. M. M. Craddy

The engagement is announced between Graeme, son of Mrs I. S. Zaki, of Coniston, Cumbria, and the late Dr Y. E. Zaki, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs O. Craddy, of Eltham Park.

Marriages

Dr N. Cowan and Mrs S. Lipton

The marriage took place quietly in London on Tuesday, January 31, between Dr Norman Cowan, of 63 Roehampton Lane, London, SW15, and Mrs Shirley Lipton, of 29 Hanover Gate Mansions, Park Road, London, NW1.

Mr M. A. C. Drummond and Mrs G. V. Turner Laing

The marriage took place on Thursday, January 26, between Mr Maldwin Drummond and Mrs Gilly Turner Laing.

Mr G. D. V. Glynn and Miss M. G. Saunders-Davies

The marriage took place in London on Thursday, January 26, between Mr David Glynn, son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs R. T. W. Glynn, of Harlesford House, Tetsworth, Oxfordshire, and Miss Gale Saunders-Davies, daughter of the late Mr A. O. Saunders-Davies and of Mrs Saunders-Davies, of The Island, Romsey, Hampshire.

Luncheon

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

Mr James Johnson, MP, deputy chairman, United Kingdom branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association was host at a luncheon at the House of Commons yesterday given by the executive committee in honour of the High Commission for Malaysia. Among those present were:

The Deputy High Commissioner for Malaysia, Mr Hasmy Agam, Sir Bernard Braine, MP, Mr Jeremy Bray, MP, Sir Nicholas Edwards, MP, Mr Charles Fletcher-Cooke, QC, MP, Mr Ben Ford, MP, Mr Peter Hardy, MP, Mr Ian Percival, QC, MP, and Mr Peter Molloy.

Dinner

Association of County Chief Executives

Mr W. N. P. Jones, Chairman of the Association of County Chief Executives, presided at the annual dinner of the association held at the Law Society's Hall last night, when the principal guest was Sir James Hamilton, Permanent Secretary, Department of Education and Science. Among those present were:

The Earl of Malmesbury, Baroness Serota, Baroness Young, Mrs Elizabeth Cooke, Sir Peter Baldwin, Sir Hywel Evans, Sir John Garlick, Sir Robert Marshall, Sir Patrick Nairne, Sir Joshua Rowley, Colonel Sir John Ruggles-Brise and Captain Sir Anthony Thorold.

Lecture

Royal United Services Institute

General H. F. Zeiner Gundersen, Norwegian Army, Chairman of the Military Committee of Nato addressed the Royal United Services Institute for Defence Studies yesterday. General Sir Thomas Pearson was in the chair. Among those present were:

The Norwegian Ambassador, Sir Frank Roberts, Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Beetham, General Sir Hugh Beach, Air Chief Marshal Sir John Barraclough, Vice-Admiral Sir Anthony Morton, Vice-Admiral James Eberle, Major General C. Bate, Sir Neville Trotter, MP, Mr Colin Humphreys, Commodore B. Ela, Brigadier H. B. C. Watkins and Commander C. Eliot.

Latest wills

Estate left for sick animals

Mrs Frances Amy Fuller, of Hastings, left £9,338 net. She left all her property to the People's Dispensary for Sick Animals.

Other estates include (net, before tax paid: tax not disclosed):

Dennis, Mr Richard Frampton, of Stamford £2,564,082

Donaldson, Mr Victor Cecil, of Hadley Wood, surveyor £145,149

University news

Sir Alan Hodgkin to be Master of Trinity

Sir Alan Hodgkin, aged 64, professor of biophysics at Cambridge since 1970 and Chancellor of Leicester University, is to be Master of Trinity College, Cambridge, in succession to Lord Butler of Saffron Waldon, who retires in June.

Sir Alan, an undergraduate at Trinity and a fellow since 1936, was President of the Royal Society from 1970 to 1975 and was joint winner of the Nobel Prize for medicine in 1963.

Other university news:

Professor T. Arends, director of the department of experimental medicine, the Venezuelan Institute of Scientific Research, Caracas, has been elected Simon Bolivar Professor of Latin American studies for 1979-80.

P. J. Lachmann, ScD, has been appointed Sheila Joan Smith professor of rumour immunology.

D. M. Wood, MA, PhD (Emmanuel), has been appointed university lecturer in engineering from October 1 for three years.

Elections and appointments:

CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE. "F" fellowship, Dr R. J. Johnson; "A" fellowship and Dean of Chapel, the Rev Dr W. Horbury.

DARWIN COLLEGE. Honorary fellowships: Professor Sir Nevill Mott, FRS, Nobel laureate in physics, and Dr C. M. P. Johnson, senior bursar, St John's College.

HUGHES HALL. Professor R. D'Aeth, emeritus professor of education, Exeter University, to be president in succession to Sir Desmond Lee, who retires on October 1, 1978.

SIDNEY SUSSEX COLLEGE. Fellow commonership: C. G. Stoneman, BA.

Oxford

Awards and elections.

Eldon Law Scholarship: P. H. Gross. Oriel College: Robert Herbert Memorial Prize: A. J. Dolton. Merton College CHRIST CHURCH. Ordinary studentship of the house: R. A. Donnithorne, MA, academic publisher designate, Oxford University Press; Ida Mary Henderson Scholarship: J. P. Clayton, open scholar: Dukes Prize: S. J. M. Lowe, open scholar: Proxime accessit: J. C. Sims, commoner.

LINACRE COLLEGE. Fellowship by election: Miss R. Fennell, MA (Dublin), (Lond), University lecturer in agricultural economics, and G. P. Thomas, BSc (Wales), DPhil (Cantab), Junior research fellowship: C. P. Willoughby, MA, BM, BCh (Pembroke).

Glasgow

Professor A. L. Brown, titular professor in the department of history has been appointed to the chair of medieval history, in succession to Professor E. L. G. Stones, who is retiring.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include:

Sir Peter Scott, aged 60, who retired from the Foreign Service at the end of last year, to be private secretary to Prince Michael of Kent.

Mr William Kevs, general secretary of the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades, to be a member of the Commission for Racial Equality.

Mr John Lane, a Methodist minister, to be public relations and fund-raising officer of the Young Women's Christian Association of Great Britain.

Nuffield study of second chamber

The Nuffield Foundation has commissioned a study of the place of a second chamber within the British constitution. It will be made by Mr David Watt, director of the Royal Institute for International Affairs, Dr Janet Morgan, of St Hugh's College, Oxford, and several academic researchers, of whom Mr Martin Cannon, of Nuffield College, Oxford, is the first to be appointed.

The foundation hopes to publish the findings before the end of 1978. It has arranged that the authors should have available the advice of a consultative panel under the chairmanship of Lord Trend, a trustee of the foundation and Rector of Lincoln College, Oxford, which includes Lord Jellicoe, Lord Shackleton, Sir Ian Gilmour, MP, Mr John Roper, MP, Sir Peter Henderson, Clerk of the Parliaments, and Sir Anthony Stainton, former First Parliamentary Counsel.



Admiral of the Fleet Earl Mountbatten of Burma with Lord Zuckerman (centre) and Mr Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, at a Foyles literary luncheon at the Dorchester yesterday to launch Lord Zuckerman's "From Apes to Warlords: 1904-46".

Books of German views spurned by thieves fetch high prices

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent

The thieves who broke into Sotheby's Chancery Lane at the weekend, having selected their thefts from a case of books with high estimates, missed some of the most valuable books because Sotheby's had misjudged the estimates. The good German engraved views of the 1820s and 1830s, by the Batty family and others, had been filched. But the later lithographic views of Germany, underestimated by Sotheby's, were left behind.

George Barnard's *The Brunnens of Nassau and the River Lahn*, a folio-sized publication of 1845 with 28 plates, made £1,000 yesterday (estimate £40 to £60) while his *Switzerland*, with 25 plates, made £350 (estimate £40 to £60). Both were bought by Koch from Germany. Douwma paid £920 (estimate £60 to £80) for another lithographic production in folio size, *Allemagen Monmmentale et Pittoresque* by Chapuy, dated 1845, with 44 plates.

The popularity of German views was also underlined by Samuel Prout's *Facsimiles of Sketches made in Flanders and Germany* at £1,100 (estimate £300 to £400), going to Koch.

The thieves had gone off with 18 lots out of yesterday's 278-lot sale. Clearly they were not discouraged by bulk for they had removed 45 volumes (bound in six) of the *Agricultural Surveys of Great Britain* for 1793 and 1794 (estimate £500 to £700). The sale in the event totalled £21,160, with three lots or 1 per cent unsold.

Bonham's also held a book sale, which totalled £11,190 with 3 per cent unsold. The first edition of Anthony Trollope's *The American Senator*, in three volumes, made £350; about £50 had been expected but the fact that the work was in its exact original condition, as issued in 1877, clearly influenced bidders.

A sale of English and foreign coins at Glendining's totalled £123,660, with only two out of 226 lots unsold. An 1829 George IV proof set, containing 11 coins in all in gold, silver and copper, made £7,800 (estimate £4,000), going to Bord. A Queen Victoria pattern £5 of 1839 by William Wyon reached £7,400 (estimate £5,000), going to the Swiss Credit Bank.

At Sotheby's Belgravia a sale of furniture and works of art totalled £36,208, with 4 per cent unsold. Victorian furniture, especially ornate pieces, tended to sell above estimate; a mahogany writing desk of about 1830 in "Georgian" style made £1,300 (estimate £500 to £600).

Among the purchasers was Sir Basil Spence, the architect, who acquired a set of six painted satinwood side chairs of about 1900 at £220 (estimate £200 to £400). The National Trust invested £150 (estimate £60 to £80) in a Wilton carpet of Tekke Bokhara design, probably woven by James Templeton in about 1920 15ft 10in by 10ft 4in.

At Sotheby's in Bond Street a sale of modern British paintings, drawings and sculpture totalled £44,697, with 3 per cent unsold. Sotheby's have been selling works by Dame Laura Knight on behalf of her executors since 1970; yesterday they sold the final portion, 36 lots, for £5,270. The property has brought £57,312 in all.

The highest price yesterday was £360 (estimate £100 to £200) for a parcel of circus studies. The highest price of the sale was £1,700 (estimate £300 to £400) paid by the Fine Art Society for William Strang's "The Green Dress".

At Christie's yesterday a sale of English and foreign silver made £58,040, with 9 per cent unsold; a large set of table silver by Mary Chawner, all shell and hour-glass pattern and dating from 1936 (247oz) made £3,800 (estimate £3,000 to £3,000). A large set of a single date is rare.

American furniture: There was strong interest in American furniture, folk art and country pieces at a Phillips sale of Americana in New York, which totalled $38,010 (£16,554). A third of the lots were unsold but prices were largely as estimated for the rest, including a cherrywood high boy in the Chippendale style, dating from about 1770, which went to Jollies, an American dealer, for $4,700 (estimate $4,000).

A Philadelphia "delegate's desk" in mahogany, of the type used in city halls in about 1790, was bought by the National Park Service of Philadelphia for $1,200 (estimate $1,000). A child's black leather boots of the Civil War period were sold for $110 to a private collector.

At Phillips in London a sale of oriental ceramics and works of art totalled £38,400, with 5 per cent unsold. Marchant paid £2,700 for a fine Sung dynasty dish bearing pastoral scenes in relief (estimate £2,000).

Planning urged to prevent moorland 'slum'

By John Chartres

If a large stretch of mid-Lancashire moorland is left to its own devices it might become "a rural slum", according to an advisory report published yesterday. A new stage in a plan to control the development of about 90 square miles of rough and wild moorland lying to the north of Bolton, Blackburn, and Accrington was presented for further public discussion.

A scheme to control and develop what was originally called the Anglezarke moor area was first announced just before the local government reorganization programme of 1974. It suggested that the moorland lying to the north of the overcrowded Greater Manchester and Merseyside conurbations should be a subject of "Orderly development and control".

A public participation exercise in 1976 showed opposition to any scheme that might encourage tourism, because of fears of vandalism and litter. There was strong reaction from the residents of Anglezarke village, who felt that publicity using the unusual name of the settlement would produce an undesirable influx of visitors.

Because of that the whole plan has been named the west Pennine Moors scheme. The summary of the interim plan published yesterday suggests that the area will suffer more from litter, trespass and vandalism without a plan than with one.

MPs concerned at £20m BR investment in art

British Rail Pension Fund's investment in works of art has put it among the ranks of Getty, Rockefeller and Rothschild as one of the world's leading collectors, Mr Norman Fowler, Conservative MP for Sutton Coldfield, told a Commons committee yesterday.

He said the fund had invested almost £20m in works of art since 1974. It was forgoing about £2m a year in income that the money could have obtained with safety by investing in government stocks. He was speaking during a debate on an order varying British Rail pension schemes.

He said more than £1,000m of public money would be put into the pension fund. The investment raised important questions, however: it was speculative. The art market was subject not only to supply and demand but to shifts in taste.

Mr Andrew Faulds, Labour MP for Worley, East, told the committee: "Investment in works of art is as dangerous as attempting to beat card sharpers at their own game".

He criticized the role of Sotheby's in the pension fund investment and called for an immediate government inquiry into the "whole sordid affair". He said Sotheby's had acted as adviser, agent and seller for the fund.

Mr Horam, Under-Secretary of State for Transport, said that he could not accept that the Government should involve itself in the investment policies of the trustees of the pension fund. About 60 per cent of investments were in equities and 3 per cent in art. Sotheby's role: The company that acts as the link between the pension fund and Sotheby's, its art advisers, is Lexbourne Ltd (the Press Association writes).

Lexbourne's shares are owned jointly by the fund and Sotheby's. However, the company is controlled by the fund.

Mrs Annamaria Edelstein, former editor of Sotheby's *Art at auction*, is manager of Lexbourne. There are two directors from each company but the chairman is from the pension fund. Its registered office is two doors from Sotheby's headquarters in Bond Street.

Mr Peregrine Pollen, deputy executive vice-chairman of Sotheby's, said Lexbourne was the "purely administrative link" between the firm and the pension fund.

"Bidding is done by an employee of British Rail but we do not know whether they are going to bid or how much they are going to bid. Our job is simply to make recommendations."

National service suggestion

By Our Religious Affairs Correspondent

Some form of compulsory national service might have to be introduced eventually to deal with "the unemployment gap" that faces school-leavers, the Bishop of London, Dr Ellison, told the General Synod of the Church of England yesterday.

He said changing patterns of employment meant that many people would have to get used to far more leisure time. Society had to face the problem of what they were to do with it.

"It would seem self-evident that there must be some connexion between the prevalent gangsterdom which is so widespread and the lack of work and occupation which afflicts so many, especially among the young", Dr Ellison said.

A period of national service would not necessarily be military: it could be spent on socially useful activities and could teach a cross-section of society how to live together in community.

Science report

Geophysics: Is the Earth expanding?

The surface features of the Earth change so rapidly, on a geological time scale, that it is difficult to be sure that the Earth is the same size now as it was in the past. The question is important for cosmology, the study of the overall behaviour of the universe, because some cosmological theories predict that the Earth is slowly expanding.

An accurate answer has been obtained by scientists at the Australian National University, in Canberra, who estimate that the size of the Earth has not increased by more than 0.8 per cent over the past 400 million years. That presents difficulties for some cosmological theories, but the scientists place even stricter constraints on the theories with arguments based on the appearance of the planet Mercury.

The idea that the Earth may be expanding has received some support recently through estimates of the amount of the Earth's crust welling up beneath the oceans, and the amount disappearing back into the inner earth. They suggest that more material may be coming to the surface than is going back down. Where could it all go? One possibility is that the surface area is increasing and, if the estimates can be relied on, they suggest that the Earth has expanded by more than a tenth over the past 165 million years. That suggestion is ruled out by the precise results of the Australian scientists.

Measuring the expansion of the Earth over a period of millions of years is not easy. If we could go to the centre of the Earth and watch an object floating on the surface, the continent of Africa, for example, it would gradually appear to get smaller if the Earth was expanding.

We cannot do that, but we can go to a continent on the surface. If we measured the difference in latitude between the north and the south of the continent we could calculate its distance from the centre of the Earth; if we then repeated the measurements millions of years later we could see if the distance had changed.

That is what the Australian scientists have done. They can measure latitude, how many degrees north or south of the equator, by looking at the angle of dip of the Earth's magnetic field which is horizontal at the equator and dips towards the Earth as it approaches the poles. The magnetic field millions of years ago is preserved in rocks that formed at the time, and so the measurements can be made both now and for different times in the past.

The calculations are complicated because both the continents and the magnetic poles drift around with time, but reliable magnetic rock measurements have been made over the past decade and for the first time an accurate limit to the amount of Earth expansion can be made. There is no evidence of any expansion over the past 400 million years, although the uncertainties in the data and the calculations would permit a small expansion of 0.8 per cent.

Of course there are assumptions in the calculations for example the continents are not supposed to change size significantly and there are a few proponents of an expanding Earth who say the calculations might be suspect.

But, if the Earth was expanding because of cosmological considerations, the gravitational force becoming weaker with time, then all the other planets should expand as well. The scientists have therefore considered information from Mars, Mercury and the Moon. At some time in the past there was a tremendous meteoritic bombardment and the effects can still be seen on parts of the Moon and Mercury.

Rocks brought back from the Moon have been dated and show that the bombardment happened 3,360 million years ago. Photographs of the surface of Mercury show no evidence of any of the geological changes that would be expected if the planet had expanded since the bombardment. The radius of Mercury is the same now, give or take a kilometre, as it was 3,500 million years ago.

The calculations of the rate of Earth expansion put a limit on the change of gravitational force with time that is about the value predicted by some cosmological theories. But the less reliable estimates from Mercury would seem to rule them out completely. Without the motivation provided by those cosmological theories, the idea of an expanding Earth loses much of its appeal.

By Nature-Times News Service.

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OBITUARY

SIR CHARLES CLAY

Lords Librarian, historian and archaeologist

Sir Charles Clay, CB, LittD, FSA, FBA, who died on January 31 at the age of 92, was Librarian of the House of Lords for 34 years, from 1922 until 1956. He was also a noted archaeologist.

Charles Travis Clay was born of Yorkshire parents in 1885. He was educated at Harrow and Balliol College, Oxford, where he took a First in History. After travelling abroad he became assistant secretary to Lord Crewe at the Colonial Office and later the India Office. In 1914 Lord Crewe, then Leader of the House of Lords, recommended Clay to be Assistant Librarian there, the place being vacant after Sir Edmund Gosse had relinquished the post of Librarian. Before taking it up, however, Clay served in the Army, became DAQ-General and was twice mentioned in dispatches. He started his work as assistant in the library as soon as the war was over and four years later became Librarian of the House of Lords.

Clay possessed the right temperament and intellectual qualities for the varied duties of this post. He was studious but very human, had a remarkably accurate memory, and was an historical scholar. His knowledge of art and achaeology was encyclopaedic; and he always paid scrupulous attention to the unexciting but demanding work of classification and administration. Peers placed great reliance on his recommendation of sources of information and knowledge of parliamentary history, and he was even consulted on the rules of precedence.

It was a tribute to his knowledge and judgment [illegible] towards the end of his [illegible] Mr. R. A. Butler (now Lord Butler of Saffron Walden) pointed him a member of the reviewing committee on export of works of art, served also for several years on the committee of the National Library. He was made a CB in 1944 and knighted in 1948.

His own personal predilection was for archaeology, genealogy and especially for the treatment of documents and ancient buildings of his native county. From 1945 till 1956 (when he retired from the House of Lords) he was President of the Yorkshire Archaeological Society, edited Vol IV Part I and Part 2 of *Early Yorkshire Charters: the Honour of Richmond*. He paid particular attention to the manuscript sources and the texts printed by historians. The twelfth century charters of the Earls of Richmond were revealingly annotated, together with charters dealing with the demesne of that honour, or district in Yorkshire. His skilful and patient reconstruction of the new light on the social and economic life of a region largely redeveloped in the generation succeeding the Conquest also edited *York Minster* published for the Yorkshire Archaeological Society in 1959, being notes on the dignitaries, archdeacons and prebendaries before AD 1307.

Sir Charles Clay married in 1913 Violet, daughter of [illegible] Robson and they had two daughters. Lady Clay died in 1972.

DR LETITIA FAIRFIELD

Dr Letitia Fairfield, CBE, MD, who in 1930 was the first woman to become a London County Council senior medical officer, died yesterday at the age of 92.

Dr Fairfield was born on March 10, 1885. She was of Irish extraction, received her medical education in Edinburgh, and spent her working life in London. Though not so well known as her sister, Rebecca West, she had the same tireless energy and the same gift of vivid description. Her interests covered a wide field and ranged from the care of the premature baby to the welfare of the aged. She joined the LCC service in 1911, and in 1920 was sent on mission to the West Indies—and in 1938 to Malta—to advise on how to deal with venereal diseases in women. In 1943 she was appointed to a Colonial Office committee on this subject. In 1942 she was appointed a member of the Ministry of Health's Advisory Committee on the welfare of mothers and young children. Earlier activities included the preparation of a report on women's lodging houses in 1927. Later that year she went to America, under the auspices of the Commonwealth Fund of New York, to study child guidance.

In 1917 she was asked for by high authority and joined the RAMC. She soon became a medical area controller attached to the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Later she served with the RAF Inspector of Medical Services, Women's Royal Air Force, the rank of [illegible] lieutenant-colonel. For her services she was created CBE in 1919.

In the 1939-45 war she again joined the RAMI and was Chief Medical Officer of the [illegible]. She was retired in March, 1945, having reached the age limit. Lieutenant-General Sir Alexander Hood, the director General, wrote at that time: "Her great experience, sound judgment and practical knowledge have been of the greatest value to the Army and to the medical service."

In her early years she was an active supporter of the Women's Suffrage Movement and a member of the Fabian Society. In 1930-32 she was president of the London Association of the Medical Women's Federation. She was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple and for many years regularly attended the meetings of the Medico-Legal Society of London, of which she was a vice-president. She was also editor of the *Medico-Legal and Criminological Review*.

She was an ardent and influential member of the Roman Catholic Church. She had a wide circle of friends of many denominations and the world is much poorer by the loss of a forceful personality with forthrightness of approach stimulated action by even the most lethargic.

SR MANUEL JIMENEZ

Dame Mary Smieton writes:

By the death of Manuel Jimenez, at the age of 59, the International Civil Service has lost a man who possessed to the highest degree the qualities which international organizations seek in their career staff.

At the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War Manuel's father was president of the Residencia Estudientes in Madrid and subsequently came to Oxford as Reader in Spanish Literature. "Manolo" himself was educated at Cambridge. He joined Unesco in London in 1946 and later took Mexican nationality.

I first knew him in 1961 when I became the United Kingdom representative on the executive board of Unesco. He was secretary of the board and that body, which became steadily more political year by year, called for far more than normal efficient servicing. Manolo gave it all his skill as a negotiator, his knowledge of procedure, his quick sense of what would and would not "go" in any situation, a sensitivity to personal feelings, and an uncanny capacity for knowing what was going on in the "corridors". All this was at the disposal of the 30-odd members of the board, and particularly of its successive chairman, just as it was of his own director-general. These gifts could have been dangerous had they not been exercised with a loyalty and honesty which were fundamental to Manolo's character.

After seven years with the executive board, he became director of the cabinet to the Director-General of Unesco, René Maheu, whose brilliant leadership of the organization placed a particularly heavy load on his personal staff. The three years in that post called for all Manolo's tact and skill just as it made use of his knowledge and experience. His subsequent career placed him next in charge of Unesco's foreign relations, and at the time of his death he was Inspector-General to the organization.

This brief story of a full and successful career leaves out the human qualities which made Manolo so many friends. He was so loveable, witty and generous: a warm and loyal friend. The contribution which he and his wife, Gaby, made to good relations between Unesco members by their generous hospitality and friendliness is but another aspect of the essential part that an international civil servant can play in the work of an international organization.

SIR JOHN HALL

A. J. writes from Teheran:

John Hall was one of those many MPs who attained less than he deserved—because his basic quality of common sense did not accord with the histrionic attributes acclaimed in the House of Commons. That he did not attain what he thought he deserved was a source of disappointment to him. As a result, he often thought of giving it all up. But his wife, Nancy, persisted in supporting him; and she was right, for the House needs qualities other than the histrionic. It was she too who helped make him such an excellent constituency MP—if that is indeed the summit of what talents deserve.

He was coolly contemptuous of those in authority, another trait which alienated him from many, but which made him all the more invaluable to those whom he served. I, at any rate, for one, would wish to express my undying gratitude to him.

RAY FAMECHON

Ray Famechon, who died in Paris on January 31, aged 53, was at 21 the youngest featherweight boxing champion of France, and was later European champion, while his older brothers, Emil and André, were respectively French flyweight and lightweight champions.

Born on November 8, 1924 near Mauberge, on the Belgian frontier, Ray took the European featherweight title in 1948 from Ronnie Clayton (Blackpool), who in 1950 and 1952 fought unsuccessfully at Nottingham to regain it. Famechon had earlier, in 1947, beaten Clayton in a non-title fight, so that Famechon was four times proved the better boxer.

Meanwhile in 1950 Famechon challenged Willie Pep for the world title and in 1953, similarly, Percy Bassett, but failed in both these world championship fights. He gave up boxing in 1956, after some difficulty over drink, and in 1959 was convicted of theft.

Damia, the well-known French singer between the two world wars, has died in a hospital in St Cloud, Paris. She was 88. Damia was known as "the tragedienne of song" for her songs of sadness and emotion

Lady Robinson, widow of Sir Arnet Robinson, died on January 31. She was Betty, daughter of F. W. Baber, and she was married in 1928. Her husband died in 1975.

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ndustrial strategy sur- nnact after yesterday's eview, chaired by the inister. But after the of the National Eco- levelopment Council at upport for the strategy ced on all sides, Mr Chancellor of the Ex- admitted that the nent had failed in one nt respect: the general as still largely unaware the strategy was—or, that it existed at all.

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ie main message which from yesterday's meeting was that the the next stage of the will be on industry and ons which must try to the analysis of the last rs into action.

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Healey said Britain's al performance had ally been only half as that of its major com- A change had now but what was now was a "quantum" ment.

country would not get vantage of the benefits h Sea oil until this was . If he stimulated beyond industry's to produce, then any in- demand would simply imports and inflation, country would be back osition of two or three s.

Chancellor directed attention to calculations contained in a paper jointly prepared by himself and Mr Varley for the NEDC meeting which held out the prospect of 500,000 to one million new jobs.

About half of the sector working parties involved in the strategy exercise have quantified their objectives for exports and imports and these imply an improvement in the balance of trade for their particular industries of about £2,500m (at 1977 prices) between 1975 and 1980.

"Simulations conducted by Treasury economists suggest that if the Government could count on a £2,500m improvement in the trade balance in 1980, and allow the current account to deteriorate by a corresponding amount, something of the order of half a milion to one million jobs could be created by that year through the faster expansion of the economy", the paper says.

The Healey-Varley document also sounds a warning note on future pay settlement, which it says, will need to be well within single figures if the economy is to grow significantly.

The economy could grow by about 3.5 per cent a year over the next few years, bringing about a steady reduction in unemployment if pay is moderated and given an annual growth in world trade of around 8 per cent and a small improvement in industrial performance.

Substantial improvement of industrial performance would enable Britain to sustain a growth rate above 3.5 per cent and bring down unemployment much faster. The task of the industrial strategy was to bring about such an improvement.

Commenting on North Sea oil the Chancellor once again opened up further prospects for tax cuts. Oil revenues would leave scope for increasing incentives and demand by cutting income tax without having to offset this by increases in indirect tax or cuts in public expenditure.

Ministers did not hide their disappointment yesterday in the failure to get companies involved in planning agreements.

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Company consults lawyers in confrontation over sanctions on premiums

Sun Alliance defies Whitehall threat over pay

By David Felton

Battle lines were being drawn for a major confrontation over the Government's wage guidelines after Sun Alliance & London Insurance made it clear that it would defy a Whitehall order to reduce premium rates in retaliation for an alleged breach of its guidelines.

Sun Alliance, having taken legal advice, said that any action to order a reduction in rates would be unlawful. But the Department of Trade immediately made clear its determination to issue such an order under section 9 of the Counter Inflation Act, 1973.

The company said that it had been advised that the Counter Inflation Act was not applicable in this case.

Sun Alliance's statement continued that its advice was that "the use by the Government of any other power discriminating against the company in order to punish or mark governmental disapproval of the pay settlement would be unlawful".

The directors are to take further legal advice should the Government decide to take action under the Act.

Soon after Sun Alliance made clear its defiant stand, the Department of Trade issued a statement stressing its determination to take action. Proceedings against the company will be started in the next two or three days.

The dispute centres on a pay deal which Sun Alliance agreed in October with its staff giving them a 9.9 per cent increase while at the same time making its staff pension scheme non-contributory.

Sun Alliance insists that the agreement is within the guidelines, but the Government considers the pensions clause to represent an increase in earnings and not an improvement in pension benefits.

The company said last night: "Throughout consideration of the pay settlement the directors were resolved to ensure that the final terms did not add to inflationary pressures. For this they looked first to the spirit and the letter of the Government's counter-inflation statements."

The Department of Trade considers that it has the power under the 1973 Act to order a reduction in premium rates which would produce a fall in the company's income equivalent to the extra money being paid to the staff.

MPs concerned at secret list

By Our Industrial Editor

MPs of all parties are becoming deeply concerned at the excessive secrecy surrounding the operation by the Government of sanctions against companies held to be in breach of its voluntary pay guidelines.

The latest disclosure that the Home Office is withholding rights to tender for supply contracts follows the separate revelation of a similar Department of Health and Social Security document also refers to circular. Meanwhile, the Treasury is declining to make any comment.

What concerns MPs is that all their attempts to find out more about the blacklisting and the names of companies breaching the guidelines have been fruitless. There is also concern at precedent and the legality of actions which may or may not go beyond departmental powers for administrative action when the pay code is not supported by any statute or order.

Names now known to be circulating within Whitehall as open to sanctions are James Mackie and Sons, Belfast; T. Baker and Sons, Staffordshire; P. Shirley Smith, Warwickshire; W. Allport and Sons, Warwickshire; Delapre Precision, Northants; Brain Haulage, Essex; High Speed Turnings, Lancashire; South Crofty Tin Mine, Cornwall; and Hall Foundries, West Midlands. These are covered by a Home Office circular.

However, a separate Department of Health and Social Security document also refers to three other companies: S. Redfern, Manchester; Reynolds Tanker Services, Gloucestershire; and J. W. Spencer, Surrey.

Yesterday Mr Kenneth Clarke, an Opposition spokesman on industry, said: "The Government is clearly applying the most underhand form of pay policy we have ever had. They have abandoned a statutory policy because they cannot get Parliament to approve it, and we now have pay policy by secret circular which Parliament is not allowed to know about.

He said he had seen one document name companies blacklisted for government contracts for breaking pay guidelines which had no basis in law.

The Home Office memorandum lays down that no contracts should be placed with or tenders invited from companies on the list of those breaching incomes policy. It says the list should not be communicated to persons outside the public service.



Mr Michael Edwardes, chairman, yesterday unveiling his new plan for British Leyland. And he spelled out to the shop stewards the need for the group to improve its image.

He said Rover cars were runaway winners and the envy of many. They were built in a new £90m factory. "Despite this we have some of the worst production and quality problems in the whole company there. Customers are literally banging on the showroom doors to get delivery.

"After six months they lose interest and we alienate the customers. This is what I mean by a death wish. If customers mean jobs what a way to protect jobs!"

Mr Edwardes asked the shop stewards how their objectives could be the same as his when hundreds of Rover cars were lost last week because managers and work force could not agree on a question of "clean overalls".

Meanwhile workers at the Triumph plant at Speke, Liverpool, continued their picket with a bowl of soup (right). The strike at the plant is now in its 17th week—it started on the day that Mr Edwardes took over—and has increased fears that it may be one of those earmarked for closure by the Leyland chief.



Electricity prices to rise 5-6pc in April

By Roger Vielvoye
Energy Correspondent

Electricity prices are to rise by an average of 5 to 6 per cent from April 1. The 12 area supply boards in England and Wales are now putting the finishing touches to new tariffs, and will submit them to the Price Commission shortly.

The increase, the first in general tariffs since last April, will cover all the industry's higher costs with the exception of fuel for power stations.

Fuel costs are still subject to the controversial fuel cost adjustment clauses in all domestic and industrial tariffs which enables higher prices for power station coal and oil to be passed on automatically to consumers each quarter.

Although fuel cost adjustment was criticized by the Price Commission in a recent report, Sir Frank Tombs, chairman of the Electricity Council, told the House of Commons Select Committee on Nationalized Industries yesterday that this mechanism would continue to be used until the council reviewed the subject in the autumn.

In January there was no increase in power station fuel prices for the first time since the system was introduced in 1974. Another review of fuel prices takes place in the middle of this month, and this will determine whether there will be another fuel cost adjustment from April 1.

The previous fuel cost adjustment was just under 1 per cent in October last year, and last July there was a 3½ per cent increase in the wake of higher coal prices. The last general tariff rise averaged 4.5 per cent.

Tax plan to lure worker shareholders

By Our Economics Staff

Another step will be taken today towards the widespread introduction of profit-sharing and share incentive schemes whereby millions of employees get a chance to acquire shares in their own companies.

A Government document outlining three schemes and the tax changes which could be made to facilitate their introduction will be published by the Inland Revenue.

At present tax of one kind or another is levied on benefits accruing to workers under participation schemes.

Profit-sharing usually involves bonuses and these are taxed in the usual way. Under share incentive schemes workers are eligible to buy shares in the company, often at a discount. If the shares eventually reach market value, the workers pay income tax on that increase, and capital gains tax on any subsequent increase.

Heavy flow of funds lifts UK reserves

By Caroline Atkinson

Inflow of foreign funds into Britain last month as a result of official intervention in the foreign exchange markets is thought to have been rather larger than in the previous two months, although it was still far below the huge sums which flooded in before the pound was floated freely at the end of October.

A rise of about $300m to $400m in Britain's official reserves is expected to be shown when the figures are published today.

The reserves have not yet been affected by the Government's decision to repay $1,000m early to the International Monetary Fund, and to prepay $500m of overseas debt owed by the Electricity Council.

The latter will be taken out of the reserves this month. The Government has yet to decide with the IMF on the timing of the $1,000m repayment.

Although Britain's reserves stood at a record level of $20,557m at the end of last year the Government is still taking on new overseas borrowing which swells them further. This is part of the programme for smoothing out the debt schedule.

Refinancing some of the debt due in the peak years 1981 to 1984 and repaying some of it early both help to lower the heavy obligations for repayment in those years.

Official medium-term debt is also thought to be a safer element in the reserves than the potentially volatile private capital which came in last year.

Debenhams sheds part of its grocery chain

Debenhams, one of Britain's largest department store groups has agreed to sell three of its largest grocery outlets to Tesco for £4.5m.

The deal, announced yesterday after more than a week of speculation, marks the abandonment by Debenhams of an earlier plan to diversify into hypermarkets. It also places a question mark over the future development of its subsidiary, Cater Brothers' chain of more than 20 supermarkets.

The disposal involves Debenhams' Scan superstore at Walkden, near Manchester, and its recently-renovated and renamed One Stop superstore at the Victoria Centre in Nottingham. Tesco has also agreed to purchase the freehold interest of the Debenhams department store at Bedford, subject to receipt of satisfactory planning permission for construction of a superstore.

According to a joint statement yesterday, the proposed transactions are in line with Tesco's policy of expanding its superstore operations, and will enable Debenhams to concentrate its activities on its neighbouring department stores at Nottingham and Manchester.

Debenhams says it will use the funds from the disposal for the reduction of its short-term borrowings. The group's financial report for the year ending January, 1977, shows interest payments of over £8m.

Borrowings have since been reduced aided partly by a £19m sale and leaseback transaction completed just before Christmas, and by the sale of debts. But large sums are still needed to finance stock to cover the group's growing credit business.

Mr K. G. Bishop, finance director, said last night that Debenhams had decided not to carry on with superstore development. In addition to difficulties in obtaining suitable sites and in gaining planning approval, the group had also encountered problems in running the non-food sections, which occupy about three-quarters of the space in the two stores.

Loss of the superstores, each of which has a sales area of over 55,000 sq ft, will be a blow to development plans for Cater Brothers. This chain, then consisting of 14 supermarkets together with some service stores and off-licences, was acquired by Debenhams for about £7m in 1972 with the aim of developing hypermarkets under the Scan name.

Disposing of the two superstores which resulted from the plan leaves Debenhams, apart from the food halls in its department stores, with a chain of 20 or so supermarkets ranging from 8,000 to 18,000 sq ft.

Like other small and medium-sized grocery chains Cater Brothers has been under intense pressure as a result of the grocery price war. Its speciality is in the more expensive types of fresh food, and it has met increasing resistance from customers opting for cheaper outlets.

These difficulties have increased considerably during the past year as a result of price-cutting moves introduced by Tesco, Sainsbury and other grocery multiples which have more of the larger, more economical type of store.

Agreeing that Caters had suffered as a result of the increased competition from larger rivals, Mr Bishop said last night that the decision to pull out of superstores did not mean that Debenhams was giving up its involvement with the grocery trade altogether.

Patricia Tisdall

eel pay offer raised 9½ pc but talks hit w stumbling block

Routledge
Editor

industry pay talks stal- night on a demand by ish Steel Corporation Iron and Steel Trades ation should accept a incentive scheme simi- that in the mining in return for a 10 per settlement.

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nion's negotiators are o collaborate in shut- n the so-called "Bes- plants before their scheduled closure date, and would also consider other closures involving in total 25,000 jobs.

But the two sides could not agree on universal introduction of BSC's work-measured incentive scheme which, like the productivity deal at the pits, is designed to cut the ratio of men to output.

The ISTC held out for local talks on this issue rather than a national agreement. And they dismissed the British Steel's current incentive proposals as unsuitable and possibly dangerous.

Informal talks on new minimum rates in the shipbuilding industry also opened yesterday and were adjourned. The Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions is seeking new national minima of £70 a week for craftsmen and £55 for labourers, parallel with the claim put to the Engineering Employers' Federation in the private sector.

This demand represents an increase of about 60 per cent on current minima, but the impact on the pay bill would be only a fraction of that because most workers already earn considerably more than the minimum rate.

Cabinet spurs Callaghan aims for worker participation

By Maurice Corina

The Prime Minister is to meet both sides of industry to establish the scope for narrowing their differences over the question of employee representation in company boardrooms.

Mr Callaghan said yesterday that the Cabinet had asked him to find out what could be done to reconcile opinions in the wake of the Bullock committee's report on industrial democracy. The Government regarded the subject as one of the most important matters on which industry should make progress during the next few years.

He told yesterday's meeting of the National Economic Development Council: "In our view it is the way to create the sense of cooperation and common purpose without which industrial life is frequently fraught with friction, a lack of understanding and sometimes dislocation.

"It has not been possible so far to get agreement on this issue and in the Government's view the time is not right for legislation."

The Prime Minister went on: "Nevertheless the issue should be carried forward, and the Government has a responsibility to state its views on a matter of this importance and cannot refrain from doing so only because there is no agreement."

Talks he was to have with both sides of industry, through their representative organizations, such as the CBI and TUC would follow up those held previously. If there was no agreement the Government would bring forward its own proposals.

A date for publication of the promised White Paper on Industrial Democracy would be influenced to a great extent by whether the Government saw any prospects for agreement between both sides. But clearly there could not be undue delay on a matter of this importance.

Yesterday's statement by the Prime Minister is likely to bring many businessmen up sharp, as the CBI had soothingly reassured them that the issue of worker directors and dramatic reforms was now dead, after its determined opposition around the time of Bullock's publication.

There was no pressing need for the Prime Minister to raise the controversial topic at this time unless the Cabinet had resolved its own thoughts and indicated that it wants to achieve an agreement.

Stirring a flagging debate may be intended to push industry towards providing acceptable alternatives within some time scale and with an election in mind.

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Gold gained $0.25 an ounce to $176.125.
SDR-$ was 1.21488 on Wednesday, while SDR-£ was 0.623303.
Commodities: Reuter's index was at 1399.8 (previous 1401.4).

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	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia $	1.76	1.77
Austria Sch	31.00	29.00
Belgium Fr	66.00	63.00
Canada $	2.21	2.155
Denmark Kr	11.45	11.05
Finland Mkk	8.65	7.75
France Fr	9.47	9.15
Germany Dm	4.30	4.08
Greece Dr	78.00	74.00
Hongkong $	9.30	8.85
Italy Lr	1785.00	1710.00
Japan Yn	490.00	465.00
Netherlands Gld	4.59	4.37
Norway Kr	10.26	9.90
Portugal Esc	87.00	81.00
S Africa Rd	2.15	2.00
Spain Pes	166.50	159.50
Sweden Kr	9.35	9.00
Switzerland Fr	4.04	3.82
US $	2.00	1.94
Yugoslavia Dnr	39.75	37.00

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Giro charges eased to win customers

By Margaret Stone

National Giro is making a greater effort to win customers who do not automatically have their salaries paid through Giro by offering them lower prices and service improvements.

At the moment Giro has 530,000 personal accounts of which 210,000 customers have their salaries paid directly into a Giro account. The maximum charge for customers with pay-credited accounts is 6p per cheque.

The new terms for the remaining customers which take effect from April are a reduction from 10p to 6p for cheques cashed at post offices, the elimination of the present 29p for a Giro cheque book and envelopes and an increase in the limit for cashing a cheque from £30 to £50.

However, there is a sting in the tail. To help pay for these improvements, the balance below which the charge of 4p is made for payments out of accounts is being raised from £30 to £50.

Tees dispute poses fresh threat to Polish deal

By Peter Hill

British Shipbuilders is faced with further labour problems which could jeopardize part of the controversial £115m shipping deal with Poland.

Yesterday more than 800 ancillary workers — mainly members of the Transport & General Workers' Union—introduced a ban on overtime because of a pay dispute at the Smith's Dock South Bank yard on the Tees.

At the company's other Teeside yard of Haverton Hill, which is not involved in the Polish ship construction programme, shop stewards have called on the corporation to launch an urgent inquiry into industrial relations at the yard.

In their letter to Admiral Sir Anthony Griffin, chairman of British Shipbuilders, shop stewards representing manual and technical staff at the yard said relations between management and unions had deteriorated to such an extent that the stewards had experienced great difficulty in restraining their members from taking retaliatory industrial action.

At the South Bank yard, which is building three of the ships originally allocated to Swan Hunter on the Tyne, under the Polish deal, the overtime ban has been called because of a delay in the payment of a pay increase which was due from the beginning of this year.

The increase apparently falls within the Government's 10 per cent pay guideline.

All yards involved in building the Polish ships were required to secure guarantees of industrial peace and full cooperation from their workers in order to meet the tight delivery schedule demanded by the Poles.

On a brighter note, the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions yesterday gave the go-ahead to workers at Govan Shipbuilders for the construction of other ships switched from Swan Hunter to Govan. Assurances over the switch were given by the CSEU's shipyard committee.

The Govan workers were anxious that if they accepted the ships from the Tyne there should be no bitterness and conflict with the Swan workers.

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US tightens pressure on Bonn for more measures to boost economy

From Frank Vogl
US Economics Correspondent
Washington, Feb 1

Discussions between Otto Graf Lampsdorf, the West German economics minister, and top American Administration officials in the next few days may play a critical role in avoiding a major American-German dispute on economic policy, according to informed sources here.

United States officials assert that the West Germans are failing to make an adequate contribution to boosting world trade and restoring better international payments equilibrium.

Mr Michael Blumenthal, the American Treasury secretary, is believed to have had West Germany principally in mind today when he declared that, while new American policies would strengthen the global economy, "it is important that other strong nations join us in comparable efforts, if we are to sustain economic recovery throughout the industrial world".

The Carter Administration is convinced that the Japanese Government is now sincere in its determination to aim for faster domestic growth and a greatly reduced payments surplus.

It is dismayed that the West Germans have so far sternly resisted American pressure to take similar actions. The Bonn minister will be meeting Mr Blumenthal, Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, and Mr Robert Strauss, the United States trade negotiator, some time in the next few days.

Mr Blumenthal today told the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives that slow economic growth abroad was one of the prime causes of the large American payments deficit.

He said this problem could be resolved only by strong foreign nations while the United States must do its part to improve the payments situation by taking swift action to reduce oil imports.

Mr Blumenthal stressed that official intervention to support the dollar was no substitute for actions in America and abroad to improve the international payments balance.

He claimed, however, that increased United States intervention had recently checked speculation and that through continued intervention "we are making progress in calming the situation".

The Treasury Secretary suggested that the Administration's new policies were a clear example to other countries of what was needed to strengthen the world economy, and these policies would produce an actual rise in America's gross national product over the next two years of almost 10 per cent —a real rise in personal disposable income of about 8 per cent, and five million new jobs.

He also asserted that the new budget and economic programmes would "not threaten serious upward pressures on wages, prices or interest rates".

BIM seeks basic tax cut in Budget to 30pc

By Rodney Cowton

Demands for a cut in the basic rate of income tax to 30 per cent, with a top rate of 60 per cent, will be part of a £2.50m Budget package the British Institute of Management will put to the Chancellor of the Exchequer next week.

Mr Healey will be having a working dinner next Thursday with senior representatives of the BIM. In addition to the lower tax rates the institute will be seeking a raising of the levels, after allowing for inflation, at which the upper tax rates become payable.

These proposals were outlined last night by Sir Derek Ezra, chairman of the BIM, in a speech at Coventry. He said it was known that the Chancellor was preparing for an income tax hand out, and "we want to make sure that at least part of it is given as an incentive to managers and skilled workers as a reward for training and skills; application and responsibility; risk-taking and the crucial role which managers and other skilled personnel play in wealth creation."

Managers were underrewarded and it was necessary, "through the tax measures I have suggested and as the basis of longer-term pay determination, to restore the value of differentials," Sir Derek said.

Mr Healey should concentrate on cutting national insurance contributions rather than income tax in his April Budget as a means of shortening the dole queue, according to a report published today.

This would increase take-home pay and encourage employers to take on more workers.

The claim is made in the quarterly commentary of the Fraser of Allander Institute, a research body set up at the University of Strathclyde to study the Scottish economy.

Without some "substantial" stimulus to demand during 1978, the outlook is bleak.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Engineering science into industi

From Mr T. J. Evans

Sir, The special report published on January 26 rightly drew attention to the strong basis in science from which the chemical industry has developed into one of the most successful sectors of United Kingdom manufacturing industry.

What makes the success of this industrial sector especially interesting is the contrast which must be drawn to other less happy parts of manufacturing.

The main reason for success has been the way in which the best ideas of scientists have been successfully engineered into sophisticated industrial processes. In both the chemical and allied oil sectors this development has been pioneered, through the application of successful and often inspired engineering design methods.

While many activities other than design are undertaken by chemical engineers, this remains the fundamental rationale of the profession. The chemical engineering approach to the task involves the classical concept of unit operations and unit processes synthesized into an effective, safe and economic whole. The more recent concepts of "systems engineering", "total technology" and "integral design" express these coherent facts of the profession.

Now, as the engineering profession finds itself under the microscope of the Flixborough inquiry, it is important that one outcome of the inquiry should be the disclosure to all sectors of the community that engineering is the profession on which productive industry most heavily depends and through which the wealth of the country will be developed. The role of the chemical engineer in the chemical industry provides an object lesson on this.

Yours faithfully,
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January 27.

From Mr A. E. M. McLean

Sir, Your report on the chemicals industry (January 26) contained nine articles. Five of these considered questions of possible toxic, dangerous or polluting effects of chemicals, and the governmental re to these aspects of chemi

The professionals and agers in the chemical in need to understand abo city and young people i ing need teaching in t ject. There is not one sity department of Tox in this country. In c universities in com Europe and the United generally have departm toxicology, often co with pharmacology.

The decisions about of chemical manufactur to be right, because the controls will impose un ary costs, and fail to workers, consumers or e ment. If the chemical i is to function effective need to build some u about how and which cals can be dangerous, i training of chemists, and administrators.

Yours sincerely,
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Liberal policies on agriculture

From Mr S. Blow

Sir, In his article, "Victory for the Farmers", in your issue of January 24, Mr Hugh Clayton states that "the Liberals treat it (agriculture) either as something to do with Europe, or as something to do with taxation", and that "little credit for the devaluation should be given to the Opposition parties which combined to put pressure on the Government".

With regard to the first point, while no knowledgeable person can consider agriculture without taking into account the CAP or the taxation framework, nevertheless it is quite unfair to say that Liberals consider farming purely in these two contexts.

We have most comprehensive agricultural guidelines, with detailed policies on the farming ladder, agricultural credit and the need for a land bank, smallholdings, farm structure and hill farming. These have been the subject of many resolutions, both at assemblies and at Party councils, and our agricultural spokesmen in both the Commons and the Lords have made valuable and knowledgeable contributions in agricultural debates.

Mr Clayton is wrong in saying that "no party now treats farming as an important activity worth a prominent policy framework for its own sake"; as chairman of the Liberal Party's agriculture and food advisory panel I can assure him that we certainly do, and are fully cognisant of the vital contribution agriculture plays both in the national economy and in a balanced social structure.

Our Party's support Opposition's motion day night was the re applying the principles which we feel deepl while no one would belit efforts of the agric lobby in pursuing its interest, which indeed cides with the nation terest, nevertheless the cent devaluation woul have been carried had Opposition parties, in the Liberals, combined sist upon it.

Your obedient servant,
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January 25.

Cardholder's defence of American Express

From Mr B. P. James

Sir, I was travelling abroad when the letter from Mr David Hardman appeared in your issue of January 24. Its contents were so blatantly unfair that they call for comment even at this late date.

Mr Hardman, in making an appeal for computers to be organized to make life simpler, has illustrated his case by generalizing from a particular event with the American Express Co which made an error in his bill on one occasion.

Apart from the obvious dangers inherent in this technique, he has made an unfair attack on the American Express Co, with which I have no connexion other than being a cardholder.

In over seven years involving literally hundreds of transactions with my card, on no occasion has there been an error either by their staff or their computer with my account, which I check rigorously on presentation. In fact, the only "errors" which have occurred have been when, on two occasions, traders have illegally altered their counterfoil after transactions were completed, so that the bill presented was different from the counterfoil held by me. On both occasions, American Express facilitated rectification of the "errors".

The company provides an excellent service. On the few occasions when a trader overseas, has checked m ditworthiness they hav ponded immediately by ing quite sizable sur credit. Moreover, they n to obtain exchange rates are significantly better those given by the c banks.

I would be grateful would publish this letter to correct the totally m ing impression given b Hardman.

Yours faithfully,
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January 30

In brief

Oil search fails west of Shetland

Drilling in the deep waters west of the Shetland Islands by a French-led consortium has again produced disappointing results. A well on block 206/7 flowed 1,700 barrels of heavy oil and 3.8 million cubic ft a day of gas from three test intervals.

Similar flow rates were recorded by other companies that drilled in the area last year and industry sources say it is now extremely unlikely that these Atlantic waters will prove to be a major oil bearing zone.

The latest well was drilled by Elf on behalf of Conoco, Gulf and the British National Oil Corporation. Acreage west of Shetland was handed out under the fourth round licence distribution, and 50 per cent of the territory must be relinquished to the Department of Energy by the middle of March.

Five oil states assess fall in crude price

Oil ministers of five main producers, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Kuwait, Iraq and Venezuela met yesterday in Geneva to consider the situation resulting from the declining price of heavy crude, writes Alan McGregor. They issued a statement saying they had taken note of Kuwait's special circumstances and difficulties and "its decision to take the required measures to remedy the situation when and if necessary". This was interpreted as referring to the price cut in Kuwait's heavier crude.

Officials declined to confirm that they also discussed whether Opec members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries should resort to a "basket" of main currencies in fixing prices, instead of continuing with those based solely on the dollar. While the reference price of "Arab light" crude was set at $12.70 a barrel last July, soaring premiums are recorded on heavier grades.

Du Pont to phase out Dutch Orlon output

Production of Orlon acrylic fibre is to be phased out by Du Pont at its plant in Dordrecht over the next two years. The group's Dutch subsidiary said yesterday the decision followed three months of discussions with workers' representatives.

Once the plant's production has been phased out, Du Pont's European markets will be supplied with Orlon from the Maydown, Northern Ireland.

Tokyo's dollar support

The Bank of Japan is thought to have spent about $500m in propping up the dollar on foreign exchanges last month. The yen has remained fairly steady in recent weeks at just over 240 to the dollar, but the Japanese Government is worried about the possibility of a further appreciation this year.



At the presentation yesterday (from left): Mr Brian Thompson, company secretary of C. E. Heath & Co; Mr Derek Newton, director, Mr Frank Holland, chairman, and Mr Terry Brockwell, managing director of Walter Judd Ltd.

'Times' advertisement awards

By David Felton

Insurance brokers C. E. Heath & Co, along with advertising agents Walter Judd Ltd, were last night named overall winners of *The Times* award for the best advertisement of a company's results to appear last year.

The company carried off the Grand Prix awarded to the advertisement which in the opinion of the judges would impress the reader that the company would be good to do business with, work for or invest in.

Lord Shawcross, chairman of the panel of judges, was unable to be at last night's presentation in the boardroom at New Printing House Square, but left a message that the standard of entries had once again improved.

He said the judges felt that the advertisements showed an extraordinary sensitivity not only to the economic climate, but also the social environment. They had highlighted overtly and with pride the national change in attitude towards the word profit during the past few years.

For the first time an award was made this year for the best advertisement by an overseas company. It went to Creditanstalt-Bankverein, with agents Charles Barker City. Another innovation was the award for the best advertisement smaller than 20cms across 4 columns. This went to Croda International, with agents Walter Judd.

A special award for the most inventive and original entry went to De Beers Consolidated Mines, with agents Charles Barker City.

Winner of the category for half-page advertisements or larger was BAT Industries, with agents St James Advertising and Publishing. Second came Unilever, with agents Charles Barker City, and third was Babcock & Wilcox, with agents St James Advertising.

Category winner for advertisements of less than a half-page was Rowntree Mackintosh, agents Streets Financial. Second came Marks & Spencer with agents John Haddon & Co and in third place was Pilkington Brothers, with agents Charles Barker City.

Winner of the section for interim or preliminary results advertisements of any size was J. Sainsbury, with agents Streets Financial. Second was C. T. Bowring, agents Walter Judd, and third Reckitt & Colman, whose agency is Dewe Rogerson.

The awards were presented by Sir Denis Hamilton, chairman and editor-in-chief of Times Newspapers Ltd.

The judges, in addition to Lord Shawcross were: Mrs Jacqueline Thwaites of the Inchbald School of Design; Mr Anthony F. Bamford, of Cazenove & Co; Mr Richard Blackburn, of Morgan Guaranty Trust Co; Mr Edward Mvatt, of Touche Ross & Co and Mr Hugh Stephenson, editor of The Times Business News.

Builders to fight state takeover

A Campaign Against Building Industry Nationalization (CABIN) is to be launched by a joint committee of the National Federation of Building Trades Employers and the Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors, the industry's two main employer organizations.

CABIN will be chaired by Sir Maurice Laing, president of the FCEC and chairman of the Laing Group. The vice-chairman will be Mr Peter Morley, president of the NFBTE.

The two organizations, along with the National Council of Building Material Producers, have been discussing their response to the nationalization proposals, advanced in a Labour Party document, "Building Britain's Future".

The material producers now seem likely to conduct their own campaign, concentrating on the issues peculiar to the sector.

Commenting on the nationalization proposals, which according to Mr Freeson, Minister for Housing and Construction, do not represent "Government or final party policy", Sir Maurice said:

"We do not intend that our industry, which employs 1.7 million people and earns £1,500m abroad, should become yet another nationalized lame duck that has to be propped up and supported by an even smaller private sector."

The FCEC has already taken steps to raise more than £100,000 for a campaign, and the NFBTE can be expected to match this.

No decision has been taken on the form of the campaign. CABIN is now preparing detailed rebuttals of the proposals and plans are being drawn for "a major publicity campaign".

Council aid for small companies urged

By Desmond Quigley

Local authorities should be allowed to provide equity capital to small companies to assist in their development, the Centre for Environmental Studies argues in a paper submitted to Mr Lever, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster. Mr Lever has been charged by the Prime Minister with the task of investigating the plight of small businesses.

The paper, written by Mr Richard Minns and Mrs Jennifer Thornley, points out that there are several existing ways in which local authorities can help industry in their regions, but concludes that "the shareholding mechanism offers the most advantages in the present economic recession".

The authors note that the Shetland Islands Council, under a private Act of Parliament, is allowed to assist small companies.

By the end of last year it had supported one existing company and set up two others. However, Shetland was treated as a "special case," and Tyne and Wear County Council and West Midlands County Council failed to gain similar provisions

Reversing £110m computer trade gap

By Malcolm Brown

Britain's computer industry should be aiming to achieve a favourable balance of trade of £200m by 1980, according to the report of the electronic computers sector working party, published yesterday as part of the industrial strategy exercise.

The report states that the sector has a deteriorating balance of payments (£110m deficit in 1976), and to improve this it is looking at the opportunities for both import substitution and stimulation of exports.

As part of the exercise existing major non-British multinational companies should be encouraged to increase their investment in the United Kingdom in pursuit of these objectives.

Concern is expressed that the time required to develop a viable new product and get it into profitable production should be reduced.

In particular the working party would like to see the benefits of defence developments capitalized into commercial applications more quickly—if possible in parallel with the original defence use.

Special emphasis has been laid in this report on the manpower requirements of the computer industry.

A subcommittee on manpower recommends that the Government should reinforce its commitment to the maintenance in the United Kingdom of an indigenous computer industry capable of research, development and manufacture of all aspects of computer technology.

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Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd.



Mr. Shinbei Konishi, President, Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd.

Report by Mr. Shinbei Konishi, President, for the six months ended 30th September, 1977

Takeda 武田薬品工業株式会社

I would like to report on our business operations for the six months period ended September 30, 1977.
Total sales for the first half of the 1977 fiscal year amounted to ¥174,294 million (U.S. $660,204 thousand), an 11% increase over the corresponding period in 1976. Net earnings rose by 23% to ¥6,616 million (U.S. $25,061 thousand).
In spite of certain fiscal and monetary measures taken by the government to stimulate recovery, the Japanese economy remained stagnant with only a modest increase in domestic demand and with the continuing aggravation of high unemployment.
In each part of our business, competition remained keen, market conditions were weak and we have had to face a very difficult situation. However, as a result of especially strenuous efforts, we were able to produce results which were better than the corresponding period in 1976.
Performances by the various Divisions of the Company are given below.

Pharmaceuticals:
Sales reached ¥97,133 million (U.S. $367,928 thousand), up 12% from the corresponding period in 1976.
In 1976, pharmaceutical production in Japan increased 24% over the previous year. In the first half of 1977, however, the annual rate was only 15%.
In the ethical drug market, competition for market share continues to be keen and is particularly so in the antibiotic field.
In proprietary products, consumer demand remained stagnant due to the continuing dull economy.
However, as a result of the expansion of our activities to support our products with comprehensive knowledge and information, we were able to achieve a good record in sales of antibiotics such as "Lilacillin®", "Dasen ®", an anti-inflammatory enzyme, and certain central nervous system products. Furthermore, exports of bulk fine chemicals increased more than expected.

Foods:
This Division achieved sales of ¥27,175 million (U.S. $102,935 thousand), up 6% over the corresponding period in 1976.
While sales of food additives were generally good, beverage sales suffered from increasingly keen competition and unseasonably cool summer weather in the eastern part of the country. Sales of seasoning products failed to achieve their target due to wholesalers reducing their stocks and consequently, the performance of this Division was disappointing.

Industrial Chemicals:
Sales increased 11% over the corresponding period in 1976 to ¥28,212 million (U.S. $106,864 thousand).
The recovery of demand in the Japanese chemical industry is still not foreseen. Under the circumstances of high raw material costs and low product prices, the business of the whole chemical industry is worsening.
There was no improvement in the supply-demand relationship for the products of this Division, but through active sales promotion, sales were higher than in the corresponding period of the previous year. As a result of weakening product prices, however, the profitability of the Division did not improve.

Agricultural Chemicals and Animal Health Products:
Sales of products for agricultural and animal health applications totalled ¥20,795 million (U.S. $78,769 thousand), up 12% from the corresponding period in 1976.

As for agricultural chemicals, surplus stocks held by wholesalers were alm reduced in 1976 giving us increased sales opportunities in this fiscal period Sales of our main products, such as the insecticide, "Padan®", and also herbicides, "Avirosan®" and "Wider", which were marketed in 1 recorded substantial increases and contributed significantly to the Divisi performance.
Animal health products also showed steady advances and sales of our product, "Enramycin", a poly-peptide-related feed additive, increase anticipated.

Overseas Activities:
Exports rose to ¥10,339 million (U.S. $39,163 thousand), an increas 17% over the corresponding period in 1976.
Although the export business in Japan was unfavourably influenced b sharp increase in the value of the Yen compared to the U.S. Dollar, Company's exports of bulk vitamins, including Vitamins C and recorded considerable expansion.
Coupled with a steady increase in sales of pharmaceutical specialities Europe, we were able to achieve a better record than expected.
The performance of our subsidiaries abroad generally was satisfact although there were some exceptions in South-East Asia.

Capital Investment:
No large new capital investments were made during the period. Howe existing pharmaceutical production installations were expanded to n increasing demand from home and overseas markets. Modest cap expenditures were made to comply strictly with drug safety regulations improve research facilities and to improve production efficiency.

Financial Operations:
The Management took particular care to stabilize the Company's cash f position by monitoring trade receivables and stocks. These policies succee in improving and strengthening the Company's financial position.

Future Outlook:
The economic climate in Japan continues to be troubled by stagnation in private investment sector and in consumer spending. Thus demand in home market remains relatively poor. The rapid increase of the Yen exchai rate not only gives a serious problem to Japan's export position, which l been supporting its economic growth, but also may give rise to deflation the domestic economy.
The business environment which the Company faces in the latter half this year will continue to be severe. The Management will concentrate ev effort in developing new products, in strengthening our overseas activiti and in maintaining the high quality and safety of our products.
We will strive to buttress our corporate structure to ensure a sound financ position.
With regard to the SMON litigation, the first amicable settlement w concluded on October 29, 1977 in the Tokyo District Court.
Agreement was reached between certain plaintiffs and the three defendan the Japanese Government, CIBA-GEIGY (Japan) Ltd. and our Compar We hope we shall be able to reach amicable settlements with the oth plaintiffs through mediation of the courts and will continue our efforts this end.
Your continuing support and encouragement of our efforts are high appreciated.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1977

WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 1976

	Yen Millions 1976		1977	
Property, plant and equipment, less depreciation		62,524		60,536
Investments and advances		32,749		35,790
Current assets	231,113		252,315	
Less current liabilities	118,768		133,977	
		112,345		118,338
Other assets		17,990		18,728
		225,608		233,392
Less: Retirement and severance benefits	43,133		47,006	
Long-term debt	27,579		23,242	
Minority interests	2,417		2,733	
		73,129		72,981
		152,479		160,411

	Yen Millions 1976		1977	
Issued capital of 498,768,856 shares		24,910		24,938
Capital and revenue reserves		127,569		135,473
Net sales		157,257		174,294
Operating profits		12,135		14,290
Interest, dividends and other income less interest and other expenses		222		1,084
		12,357		15,374
Provision for income taxes	6,760		8,567	
Minority interests	218		191	
		6,978		8,758
Net earnings		5,379		6,616
		152,479		160,411

The interim dividends for the year ending 31st March, 1978, of ¥3.75 per share amounting to ¥1,870 million are not reflected in the above figures.

C & W WALKER HOLDINGS LTD.

Notice is hereby given of the appointment of Lloyds Bank Limited as Registrar.

All documents for registration and correspondence should in future be sent to:-

Lloyds Bank Limited,
Registrar's Department,
Goring-by-Sea,
Worthing, West Sussex BN12 6DA.
Telephone: Worthing 502541
(STD Code 0903).

K.C. NORTON, A.C.C.A.,
Secretary.

Business appointments

Mr Bill Francis to head Cementation at Trafalgar

Mr Bill Francis, formerly vice-chairman of Tarmac, has been appointed an executive director of Trafalgar House and will be responsible for Cementation International.

Mr H. E. Earley has been named head of domestic banking in Williams & Glyn's Bank.

Mr James Scull has been appointed chairman and managing director of Kraft Foods Ltd. Mr Victor Hill, former managing director, has been appointed deputy chairman and director of external affairs.

Mr D. F. MacCallan becomes managing director of BP Coal.

Mr Michael Newitt has been appointed to the board of Cadbury Typhoo as marketing director.

Mr Graham Dowson, former chief executive of the Rank Organization, has been appointed to the board of Cambridge Communication.

Mr J. B. Fitzpatrick becomes a member of the National Dock Labour Board.

Mr G. R. H. Kitson has been made managing director of Hill Samuel Investment Management. Mr P. C. Axten, Mr R. D. Green and Mr R. W. Lewis join the board.

Mr R. Lee has been appointed merchandise director of the A & N Group. Mr W. E. Lewis becomes sales director.

Mr J. Corris Thomas has been appointed a director of Brigray Group.

Mr Graham Oliver joins the board of Baron Security Group.

Mr John Topping becomes group financial controller and a director of James Neill (Services). Mr Eric Hodgson is to be managing director of Moore & Wright (Sheffield) succeeding Mr J. K. Walton, who has retired. They also join the board of British Tool Manufacturers. Mr Thomas Oxley has been made a director of James Neil (Services).

Mr A. C. Purkis has been appointed chief executive and joint managing director of Prodorite. Mr K. W. Bushell has been made non-executive chairman. Mr H. W. Fender and Mr W. C. Weston have retired.

Mr J. C. Green and Mr T. M. Sheaf have been appointed directors of Clifton Investments. Lord Hirshfield, Mr M. A. Jordan and Mr R. W. Hargreaves have resigned. Mr Green and Mr Sheaf also join the board of Bridgewater Investment Trust. Mr Jordan and Mr Hargreaves have resigned from the board of that company.

Mr Peter Jarvis and Mr Richard Edgecliffe-Johnson have been elected vice-presidents at Citibank.

Mr Stephen White has joined the board of Ward Lock as publishing director.

Mr Ron Canning of Harefield Rubber has been elected chairman of the newly-formed Strip Curtain Suppliers Association.

Mr R. H. Cooper has become director and general manager of Simon-Solitec.

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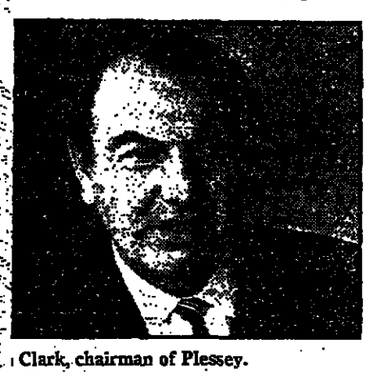
BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

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was then balanced by £377m of equity. Depreciation and any small profits there may have been last year will have gone into working capital.

According to the Ryder Plan, Leyland would need £900m of extra outside finance by September this year. It has had £400m of that.

The £400 equity injection which has been floated as a twinkle in Mr Edwardes' eye would on present performance not last very long, but would certainly provide the *present management with more flexibility* than the receiving of payments on a performance criterion, monitored by the NEB.

But value for money must count as a *yardstick, and it is instructive to note that* in 1976 Leyland's capital employed was £743m—twice that of Ford, and since then Leyland has received another £200m while *its market share has slipped below its rival.*

It seems as impossible now as ever that Leyland would be allowed to go under, but Leyland's quoted loan stocks should be held for income only. The equity even as a speculation is poor value and a 3p rise in the shares to 21p yesterday is quite meaningless.

Chartists

An ominous 'head and shoulders'

Fundamental factors like institutional cash flow, economic indicators and so on cut little ice with technical analysts and whatever encouragement anyone else is drawing on these fronts the chartists are now taking a decidedly bearish stance towards the equity market.

Although the market managed to reverse the downward trend the fact is that it has dropped below the 470 support level in *FT* ordinary index terms and has for some months shown no sign of gathering the momentum to break out of the 470-490 trading range. Since last October's 549.2 "high" the ominous head and shoulders formation has appeared which to chartists is the kiss of death to a bull market.

Backing this view chartists point to the poor performance of front-line shares which led the market up, and not just BP and ICI whose performance can be explained away by extraneous factors but even Beechams, an institutional favourite for much of the bull market, has slipped off its perch and late runners like the clearing banks have *had an unusually short strong period. As it* is the fact that the more broadly based *FT* Actuaries index has performed rather better only reinforces the view that the market *is being supported by the strongish performance* of second-liners, again in chartist eyes a sure sign that the bull market is on its last legs.

Most unreservedly bearish is Chart Analysis which sees nothing to stop the index sliding through last November's low of 457 towards the 400 level in the next few months. Investment Research, slightly encouraged by the fact that more shares are still rising than falling, still see the market in a bear phase running down perhaps to the 440-450 mark.

Meanwhile, stockbrokers who endeavour to leaven the bearish gloom of their charts with a little fundamental research are encouraged by the lack of turnover on the argument that if institutions were now on a bearish tack their lemming approach would have turned them into much heavier sellers than they are in fact at the moment. With the economy lifeless and the lacklustre outlook for corporate profits, however, there seems little to get the market out of its present rut.

● *With results due soon from the composite insurers speculation that one of the leading names is set to follow Commercial Union's lead by launching a rights issue has begun to mount.*

Prudential has been rumoured but the more obvious candidate is Royal, whose solvency ratio of 44 per cent has seemingly been out on a limb ever since CU upped its own ratio above the 50 per cent sector average by tapping the market for £74m in November.

If Royal is to make a move there are sound reasons for expecting it to be sooner rather than later. By the end of this year the underwriting cycle could start turning down and the prospects are for flat composite earnings from then through to 1981.

Economic notebook

Obfuscation cloaking confusion

When asked for plain and simple answers, Treasury officials are wont to say, with some justification, that the world is not a plain and simple place. But it surely requires a special kind of mastery in the art of obfuscation to produce an *Expenditure White Paper like last* month's, which permits five possible conclusions about the change in the volume of public spending that is likely to take place between the present financial year and the next.

Such spending, it would seem, could actually fall between 1977-78 and 1978-79—or rise by 2.2 per cent, 5.2 per cent, 6.7 per cent or even 8.2 per cent.

Indeed, during 90 minutes of cross-examination by MPs on the main subcommittee of the House of Commons All-Party Expenditure Committee last Monday, the only elucidation (if that is the word) provided by *Treasury witnesses, was that* the actual out-turn for public spending this year, and next could result in an increase different from all previous estimates—namely 4 per cent.

Thus, according to which *figure is believed,* public spending could be rising too slowly to bring unemployment down to acceptable levels within the next few years, or rising so fast that it is endangering any chance of a satisfactory rate of growth in national output and, thereby, contributing to a higher level of unemployment than there need be.

This is essentially the division *of opinion that runs through* the dozen or so background papers prepared by academics and City economists to help MPs on the expenditure subcommittee in their examination of the Government's spending plans.

The difference of analysts depends, of course, not only on what rate of growth in public spending is actually expected to take place, but also on precisely what role it is thought *such expenditure can and should* play in shaping developments within the economy as a whole. In crude terms it depends on whether the public sector is seen as essentially buttressing a weak private sector or whether an expanding public sector is held to result in the strangulation of an otherwise potentially vigorous private sector.

Given their predilections, it was inevitable that in their *submissions to the expenditure* subcommittee economists from the National Institute of Economic and Social Research and the Department of Applied Economics at Cambridge should find themselves lined up against long-standing critics of public spending at the universities of *Liverpool and Oxford,* as well as City broking firms.

The case for higher public spending is most powerfuly adumbrated in the paper written jointly by Mr Frank Blackaby and Mr Paul Ormerod of the National Institute and three other economists, Mr John Chesshire of Sussex University, Mr Guy Fiegehen of the Institute for Fiscal Studies and Mr Steve Hoier of the National Economic Development Office.

The strategy outlined in the latest annual expenditure White Paper, they say, "consists of restraining the growth of public sector expenditure in the belief that private sector spending, particularly exports and investment, will consequently expand to enable a high rate of economic growth to be achieved". But, according to the authors, "recent historical experience suggests that such a belief is simply incorrect".

In the period 1967-70 and 1976-77, the strategy of restraining public expenditure led to economic growth rates *substantially below the postwar* average.

The authors contend that public sector expenditure is a very important determinant of economic growth, and that "sustained expansion of the public sector is required if unemployment is to be brought down to acceptable levels in the next few years".

This is held to be particularly true in view of the poor prospects for the world economy and international trade.

If unemployment is to be brought down to less than 750,000 by 1981, it will be necessary to achieve an annual growth rate for the British economy of 4½ per cent, and this will be possible only if the public sector increases its share of total national output.

Neither is it true that a growth rate of this order need entail a sustained increase in the public sector borrowing requirement as a percentage of the nation's *gross domestic* product. For in an economy which is running well below full capacity much of any increase in public spending is *self-financing* through the reduction in unemployment benefit and the increase in tax receipts from those people provided with jobs who otherwise would have been without work.

Moreover, unless the private sector drastically changes its savings behaviour of recent years, the budget deficit can be funded by sufficient sales of government bonds to avoid excessive increases in the domestic money supply.

The contrary argument is contained in the papers by Professor Minford, of the Department of Applied Economics, Liverpool, and by Mr Robert Bacon and Mr Walter Elris, of Lincoln and Exeter Colleges, Oxford, respectively. In a nutshell, the case against any significant resumption of public spending growth is that it would reduce the scope for tax cuts and, because of effect on "confidence", it is, in any case, *not possible for the Government* to influence the path of economic recovery by running a budget deficit and financing this with sales of bonds.

Professor Minford maintains that confidence turns in large measure on the prospects for inflation. Inflation prospects (under floating exchange rates) are based on the expected long-run path of the monetary aggregates and, closely related, of the Government's budget deficit, and it is this that generates the growth in these ageregates.

This implies, Professor Minford argues, that a sustained budget deficit will cause inflation. Even if a temporary deficit is permitted, to speed up recovery, it will lead to the expectation of higher future taxes to pay interest on the debt so contracted. This future levy against private sector income has a detrimental effect on private spending, which counteract the stimulus imparted by the budget deficit.

If it is to work, the deficit *has to take people by surprise,* so that they are unable to take account of it in their "wealth assessment", until after it has happened.

For Mr Bacon and Mr Elris the central argument is that tax cuts allow the economy to expand faster than if public spending is raised. By allowing higher public spending to preempt most of the expected growth in national output, the Government is sacrificing *long-term employment, because tax* cuts lead to a faster growth in the economy's supply potential.

The reason for this is that tax cuts would lead to lower wage demands, lower inflation and lower money interest rates and, therefore, increase investments in productive capacity, which in turn reduces "bottlenecks" and shortages, and allow higher growth. Tax cuts would also allow corporate profits to rise, which would also lead to higher investment.

They would also increase the incentive to work and reduce *the marginal costs to both* employer and employee of the additional jobs that might be created

If the latest expenditure White Paper has done nothing else, it has provided scope for economists to rehearse some favourite old battles.

Melvyn Westlake

REGISTRATIONS OF NEW BRITISH LEYLAND CARS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM

	1977	1976	1975	1974	1973
Mini	60,397	81,107	84,666	89,882	96,383
1100/1300	—	—	—	7,880	59,198
Allegro	56,175	55,218	63,339	60,619	28,713
Marina	66,066	71,288	78,632	81,439	115,041
Dolomite	24,764	30,197	30,119	45,008	57,439
Maxi	26,339	33,476	26,950	36,072	52,853
Princess range	29,819	31,702	29,067	25,335	31,965
Triumph 2000/2500	6,307	10,083	12,333	16,385	21,000
Rover 2000/2200/2300/2600/3500	4,813	4,035	15,280	18,488	24,999
Rover 3500 (1976)	12,374	6,816	—	—	—
Jaguar/Daimler saloons	8,254	9,456	12,085	14,033	11,414
Range Rover	1,482	1,881	2,186	2,149	2,974
MGB/Midget/Sprite	9,327	7,431	9,035	9,851	13,755
TR7/Spitfire/TR6	13,080	6,804	2,824	4,801	9,112
Jaguar XJS/'E' Type	1,133	945	173	442	1,337
Stag	1,544	2,055	1,751	3,020	3,175
Others	131	185	225	154	249
	322,067	352,679	388,687	415,368	529,577
Percentage share of total UK market	24.3	27.4	30.9	32.7	31.9

In addition, Leyland Cars sold 309,688 cars to overseas markets in 1976 compared with 285,049 in 1975. The company's total UK production of cars fell from 875,839 in 1973 to 687,875 in 1976.
Source: Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders.

Giving the new Leyland a chance to prove itself

Mr Michael Edwardes, the chairman of British Leyland, stood before 700 management and trade union representatives yesterday and, by what he had to say, tore up Lord Ryder's notorious blueprint for taxpayer funded reorganization of the group.

It was a courageous act, bringing everyone back to their senses. For the Government it means a U-turn.

Also, before anyone forgets in the flood of analysis and reaction, it is another vindication of backbench members of Parliament, in that it was the Expenditure Committee in the *Commons which heaped scorn* on the strategy of the Ryder inquiry team.

Mr Edwardes is no miracle worker, just a successful battery maker recruited from Chloride. His hostility to the received wisdom of existing managers has been unfortunate, but his plan for survival deserves careful consideration on its merits.

It will be a difficult task persuading the traditionally suspicious unions within Leyland to accept substantial de-manning and less ambitious objectives. But at least they *will respect a man who spells* out what he wants and asks for their help.

Justifying closures or reorganization is going to require a flow of information, including sufficient financial facts to make the participative approach more than just an exercise in fancy management talk.

The Ryder plan, administered by the National Enterprise Board—the ultimate parent of *the troubled motor giant—had* to go. It envisaged that between 1975 and 1982 (only four years away) Leyland could generate trading profits of more than £1,600m. In the first two years the company has made no progress in sales, output or in overall profitability. Little has come *by way of increased efficiency* and peaceful labour relations.

It was as plain as a pike-staff to ordinary taxpayers, who also buy cars, that the Ryder plan for raising car production by 35 per cent, to attain a level of profits never reached by any European manufacturer, was doomed from the start. That they were asked to put up £1,400m from public funds—matching the entire gross fixed investment of the entire British *motor industry between 1960* and 1973—only fed their scepticism.

Now it is a time for U-turns and realism. One U-turn is the decision to split up the loss-making car division so that once again workforces are able to identify themselves with famous car names through separate companies.

It flies in the face of the Government's own White Paper of exactly two years ago, which *rejected the concern of the Ex*penditure Committee that the case for independent operations had not been examined seriously.

Out of the window goes the Ryder forecast that Leyland could achieve 33 per cent of the British car market by 1985. Even the Edwardes strategy is based on achieving a market share this year of only 27 per cent, which some might say is optimistic.

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In terms of mass market requirements the present model range lacks the excitement of rival imported cars and the engineering reliability of Ford's rationalized multinational product range.

It is no use blaming the workforce for failure to supply the right cars at the right time. That is management's responsibility. Production losses have, of course, been inexcusable since *public money began to* be poured into the ailing giant, but in more recent times the mounting stocks of unsold vehicles have been a significant pointer to customer's attitudes, even when the cars are readily available.

There is sense in stretching *and improving the present Mini* and cautiously adding a new car to the range as soon as possible. The volume car "opposition" has moved on, while Leyland has agonized over the concept of a new small car of revolutionary design.

Demand for quality cars, such as the new Rover and Jaguar, is strong and Mr Edwardes is right to go for greater output, requiring a steady and growing production from the new Rover-Triumph-Jaguar operation, while money is poured into Austin-Morris for its new Longbridge model.

By splitting up the cars division Mr Edwardes can turn off the taps at Austin-Morris if he fails to get the cooperation he needs. The world will see the performance of its management and labour force and compare it with the quality cars operation, which must be a possible candidate for hiving off, as *happened with Rolls-Royce* Motors from the Rolls-Royce group, if a future Conservative government came to power.

There will presumably be no local plant bargaining after all the recent work on central pay determination systems and incentives. This means that managements can concentrate on designing, making and supplying cars.

Some 250,000 vehicles were lost last year and Mr Edwardes *yesterday did not avoid external* criticism of manufacturing standards. He admitted that lost sales were coupled with "very bad quality".

The reality of the present market is that Leyland is experiencing a steady—not a temporary—decline in market share against a *rising* total market for cars. This means that people are passing by Leyland showrooms to go into others offering another choice of models. Just under half of all car sales in Britain now go to models made abroad and each year importers revise their sales ambitions upwards.

Yesterday Leyland's unions once again pledged "all hands to the pump". This time they must mean it, because Mr *Edwardes is no bluffer* when he outlines the consequences if he does not get full and continuous backing.

Both the Government and the NEB have stood well back to dispel the impression that they will always bail out the company. Carving up the empire into distinct companies makes it easier to perform drastic surgery if the crisis is not overcome.

The next stage is to get the financing on to a more realistic level and one related to performance. It is clear that periodic wrangles within Whitehall about tranches of public funds have to be avoided if Mr Edwardes is to be given a chance of getting better performance and more self-generation of resources. Perhaps, when he comes to present Leyland's new corporate plan, the answer will be to sign some formal agreement for the next five years.

In the case of Chrysler there is a firm series of written agreements which restrict beyond any doubt the amount of public aid. Unfortunately, neither the NEB or the Department of Industry has had any choice but to engage in a series of applications and negotiations for what assistance has been provided to Leyland to date.

There may be legal difficulties in terms of where the state stands in case of failure, but Mr Edwardes' whole management training and expertise rests on market discipline.

The provision of funds in the form of new equity or loan capital, which carries heavy interest, is inevitable over the first part of the next five years. Then, if results are not obtained it will mean that Mr Edwardes at least failed with honour and without an open-ended subsidy clouding his judgments.

Maurice Corina

Business Diary: Kraft's new spread • Law's delay

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Neither he nor Scull need see United Kingdom service—particularly if they do well in this Kraft trouble spot—as a hindrance to rising, like cream, to the top. Hill's predecessor as managing director here, Bud Wheifle, is now president of the corporation and thus number two to the chairman of the board, William Beers.

■ Commercial lawyers throughout the EEC are taking a first step along an unaccustomed path—one that could lead to saving their clients' money.

The April meeting of the Consultative Committee of the Bars and Law Societies of the European Community (CCBE) in Bordeaux is to consider a report from one of its British members, Stanley Crossick, an international lawyer.

This will suggest ways of *publishing more quickly new* EEC laws and of giving lawyers readier access to present Community law. On adoption, the report goes to the European Commission.

Crossick is just back from Brussels, where he met with *a sympathetic* reception from legal and anti-dumping officials to complaints—reported in Business Diary—of delay in publishing new steel anti-dumping measures at the new year.

These were already in operation before British commercial lawyers and their clients were able to get hold of the relevant EEC journals. There were expensive hold-ups in unloading ships and lawyers made big money unravelling the confusion.

In Brussels, Crossick says, officials welcomed a report that covered not only British but Community-wide difficulties. He and lawyers throughout the Nine will therefore present a document that covers the possibility of publishing substantive law and long-term instruments in a separate journal, the "computerization" of existing law and ready electronic access to Community law by lawyers in any EEC capital.

Crossick said last night that lawyers could still make good money doing "worthwhile" services for clients, while avoiding bad publicity both for the profession and for the EEC.

■ Discussions in London this week among shipping industry leaders involved in the highly competitive North Atlantic route have provided a useful opportunity for American shipping executives Tom Smith and Jim Horn to make themselves known.

Smith, president of the privately owned American shipping corporation, Farrell Lines Inc, and Horn, who occupies a similar position with American Export Lines, yesterday explained how the two concerns had been merged into what ranks as the largest subsidized American flag steamship company. It has a fleet of about 40 advanced container and general cargo ships operating on "just about" every major trade route in the world. Both company names will continue to be used.



James Horn and (seated) Tom Smith in London yesterday: shipmates.

Farrell Lines, with a large part of the stock held by members of the Farrell family, owed *its birth to an émigré* Irish master mariner. It has paid about $35m for AEL, after financial problems in the shipping operation's parent company.

The purchase and merger were announced early last month but it will be March before the final details are completed. Horn told us yesterday that in his view the deal represented "the greatest bargain in the world" for Farrell.

Smith will be president of the new company, which is expecting a revenue this year of some $400m.

■ One could hardly fail to see a sign of the times yesterday with *the announcement that* the construction industry's 1977 Plaisterer's Trophy should this week have gone to a company for its work on the Regent's Park mosque in London.

The competition, run by the National Federation of Plastering Contractors, the Worshipful Company of Plaisterers and the Royal Institute of British Architects, is awarded for excellence of workmanship and service. Last year the winning *work was at the Brent Cross* shopping centre in North London.

Campbell Denis, of Brixton, South London, a member of the Building Specialist group of companies, had about a dozen men working on the £132,000 mosque contract for 12 months. Jim Wickens, a director of the group, said yesterday that the job was unique and carried a lot of prestige.

"We never put in a tender to lose money, but we were delighted to win the contract."

The mosque was handed over in July by the main contractors, John Laing Construction.

Wickens explained that in spite of the popularity of plasterboard, there was still a *big demand for the sort of* decorative work required on the mosque—from banks, hotels, theatres and country houses, whether it was new work or renovations.

The award was nicely timed for Wickens. Only hours earlier he handed over to Alvin Hanson the presidency of the National Federation of Plastering Contractors.

■ They are lucky men, the salt miners of France—all 40 of them at the last surviving mine of its kind in the country, at Varangeville, ten miles or so to the south-east of Nancy.

Working in salt mines is not, apparently, anything like as bad as the Russian courts think it is. The clean wide galleries maintain a nice even temperature, winter and summer, of about 62°F.

The dry air also means that maintenance on the equipment is kept to a minimum. None of it has had to be repainted for the past five years.

But most fortunate of all are the miners because they still have a job. There is simply not the demand in salt licks (for farm animals) and cooking for the 300,000 tonnes that the mine produces each year. It is cold winter weather that keeps them at work.

Nowadays 65 per cent of the mine's production is thrown over the roads of France to keep them open.

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The following is a summary of the memorandum by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Secretary of State for Industry:

The objective which we agreed at the NEDC Chequers meeting in November 1975 and stated in the White Paper "An Approach to Industrial Strategy" (Cmnd 6315) was to make the United Kingdom a high output/high wage economy. This meant that the United Kingdom's manufacturing base had to become internationally competitive through a substantial improvement in its performance. North Sea oil could give us the time and the opportunity to achieve this, but not without a fundamental change in our attitudes to manufacturing industry.

The economy is now emerging from a long period in which there has been no net growth of output, and personal living standards have fallen—a most difficult environment for launching the Industrial Strategy.

The recovery from the recession has been hesitant and insufficient to stem the rising tide of unemployment.

In spite of this, considerable progress was made last year in carrying through some essential changes in Britain's economy and, towards the end of the year there were signs of a recovery in consumer and business confidence. Retail sales are now rising again. The foundations have thus been laid for a faster growth of output and better prospects for employment. In fact 1977 saw unemployment and investment increase in private manufacturing industry although both were depressed in the rest of the economy.

The rate of growth that the economy can sustain over the next few years will be determined largely by developments in three areas: the level of world trade, the competitive performance of British industry and our domestic inflation rate.

World trade has recently been depressed. In 1977 it grew at less than half its post-war average, and the latest OECD forecasts suggest only a relatively modest recovery this year. It is now widely recognized that there must be concerted efforts to raise demand if we are to turn the tide of unemployment. The persistence of exceptionally high inflation in some countries and widespread imbalances of trade and payments however, make it unlikely that world trade will quickly return to the sort of growth seen in the decade before the oil price rise.

On present prospects, trade in manufactures might grow, on average, by about 8 per cent a year over the period 1977-83. Though this would represent a marked recovery from recent levels, it would be well below the trend rate of about 10 per cent experienced in the 1960s and early 1970s. The British Government will use every opportunity to encourage a higher growth in world demand as the only means of restoring a higher growth in world trade.

The likelihood that the growth in world trade may be relatively sluggish makes it crucially important for British industry to improve its competitiveness. This is not something that government can do for industry. North Sea oil will make it more difficult to use the exchange rate as an instrument to achieve the desired degree of competitiveness.

Moreover, any improvement in price competitiveness as a result of depreciation brings with it some increase in the rate of inflation, and could also mean less responsiveness to market changes. The improvement in competitiveness we need can be brought about only by unremitting efforts to contain costs, raise productivity and improve design and delivery performance.

Though North Sea oil will strengthen Britain's balance of payments, it will not allow the economy to run an adequate current account surplus at full employment unless there is a marked improvement in industrial efficiency.

Over the past four years there has been virtually no growth in productivity. It is impossible to say how much of this is cyclical—and so will be made good as output recovers—and how much it reflects a downward shift in the underlying growth of productivity.

Enormous increase

Plainly, much of it is cyclical and associated with the low levels of demand; but there are some grounds for thinking that the enormous increase in energy prices in 1973 and the low levels of investment in recent years may have reduced the underlying growth of productivity. To make good this damage will require that an increase in domestic demand is accompanied both by a substantially higher level of new investment and by a determined effort to use our existing productive resources more efficiently.

In the meantime, even allowing for the faster growth of labour supply and for the contribution made by the rising output of North Sea oil it seems unlikely that the growth of the economy's productive potential will exceed its past average of about 3 per cent a year.

The economy, however, is at present working well below capacity. This should permit for a period a rate of growth above that of productive potential, together with a steady fall in unemployment. The extent of this slack and the pace at which it can be safely taken up are not easy to determine.

The unemployed capacity—both of labour and plant—is unevenly distributed, and past experience suggests that there are physical constraints on the pace at which manufacturing output can grow without producing over-heating in some sectors. Such overheating is liable to lead to higher inflation and a worsening of the trade balance, with all the consequences which this has for investment and for employment. What we need is a rate of growth which is steady and sustained.

The moderation of pay increases under Phases 1 and 2 of the pay policy has brought our rate of inflation closer to that of our main trading rivals, and this in turn has provided the precondition for expanding our economy.

It is essential now to maintain and extend the gains we have made in fighting inflation. If pay increases are moderate we should be able to sustain a rate of growth significantly above three per cent a year, and so achieve a sustained decline in unemployment.

Excessive pay increases would put all this at risk. Their adverse effects on confidence, interest rates and competitiveness would at the same time reduce economic activity and make it impossible for the Government to offset the fall in activity by itself stimulating demand.

We can make only highly conditional projections of the medium-term growth of the economy. Given an annual growth in world trade of around eight per cent, a level of pay settlements in future rounds well within single figures and a small improvement in industrial performance, it should be possible for the United Kingdom economy to grow by about three and a half per cent over the next few years. Such a growth rate should bring about a steady reduction in unemployment.

A substantial improvement in our industrial performance however would enable us to sustain a growth rate above three and a half per cent and to bring down unemployment that much faster. It is the task of the Industrial Strategy to bring about such an improvement.

The sector working parties aim to achieve ambitious improvements in their sectors' share of home and overseas markets.

Most of them see an improvement in productivity as the essential means of achieving their market share objectives. It seems fairly clear from the SWP reports that though they aim to increase their output substantially, success in this objective is unlikely to result in any significant increase in employment in these industries.

On the other hand, if they fall short of their productivity targets they will fall short of their market share and provide less output and employment. Failure to achieve the market share objectives will also mean less improvement in our underlying balance of payments, and therefore less scope for expanding the rest of the economy.

Thus, although the direct impact of the strategy on employment in the sectors concerned in this stage may be quite limited, the indirect effect could be very substantial if the SWPs' objectives are achieved. The improvement in the balance of payments through better trading performance should allow the Government to reflate the economy more rapidly and thereby to raise employment in the economy as a whole.

About half the SWPs have quantified their objectives for exports and imports, and these imply an improvement in the trade balance for their particular industries of about £2½ billion (at 1977 prices) between 1975 and 1980.

Simulations conducted by Treasury economists suggest that if the Government could count on a £2½ billion improvement in the trade balance in 1980 and allow the current account to deteriorate by a corresponding amount, something of the order of half a million to one million jobs could be created by that year through the faster expansion of the economy. Some of this improvement will already be reflected in the projected three and a half per cent growth of GDP, but it would nevertheless represent a valuable additional growth in employment.

In their earlier reports the SWPs addressed the majority of their recommendations to Government.

We have

- *made changes in our fiscal policy to increase incentives and improve differentials;*
- *made further substantial funds available to assist industry to invest;*
- introduced a number of measures to assist small firms;
- substantially improved a wide range of ECGD facilities, most recently by widening the scope of cover for joint and several risks;
- greatly improved Government training facilities and made substantial extra funds available for training within industry;
- also reviewed our wider policies to see if they should be amended to take account of industrial priorities.

Re[illegible]ources

In addition to measures already taken the Government is prepared to add significantly to the resources available to help SWPs:

(i) Through the Selective Investment Scheme, assistance of £25 million has already been approved for investment projects worth £250 million. These should lead to:

(a) the creation of 2,500 permanent jobs, the safeguarding of a further 4,700 jobs, and the provision of 20,000 man-years of work through orders for the construction and plant and equipment industries;

(b) an annual benefit to the balance of payments of £150 million from 1982.

About 25 per cent of these projects will help to relieve bottlenecks in vital supplies to United Kingdom industry. A further 119 projects costing £1,200m are under consideration. Further applications are flowing in at such a high rate that it appears likely that the £100m allocated to the scheme will be insufficient to meet investment needs. Consequently, the Government has decided to provide a further substantial allocation to this scheme.

(ii) In recognition of the resounding success of special industry schemes, the Government proposes to allocate substantial funds to a growth sector—micro-electronics in the semiconductor area and microprocessors. The Government will consider sympathetically proposals for extending similar help to other growth sectors and will consult relevant SWPs as appropriate.

Contribution

The Government's competition policy makes an important contribution to promoting efficiency and competitiveness in United Kingdom industry in line with industrial strategy objectives.

We are carrying out an interdepartmental review of competition policy, and in the light of this we propose to circulate a paper for discussion by the council, assessing the scope for changes to ensure that competition policy makes its full contribution to the success of the industrial strategy.

In this paper we have emphasized the need to improve productivity, and many SWPs have already identified this as the key to increasing their sector's competitiveness. Improvement of productivity is a difficult task since it involves increasing efficiency in the use of all resources—finance and plant as well as manpower. Even after identifying what needs to be done, in this and other areas, SWPs will have to persuade individual companies within their sectors to adopt these strategies in pursuit of sectoral improvement. The right way to tackle this will depend on the message to be got across:

(i) SWP views on prospects and opportunities need to be brought to the attention of the management and workforce concerned. Trade associations and trade unions can help in this. In some sectors a high proportion of total output comes from large firms which are directly represented on the SWP.

(ii) Where SWPs have worked on problems that directly affect managers and workers in individual plants they may wish to find some direct means of communicating this. These and other means of communication are expensive in resources, and the government has made available an additional £250,000 on the NEDO budget for this purpose.

(iii) Some practical matters (investment, product development) are commercially sensitive and unsuitable for detailed discussion in the SWP, but may need to be discussed between individual firms and their sponsoring departments, within the framework of the SWP projections. Such discussions are already going on, in the five priority sectors and elsewhere, but again more effort may be needed here, especially in growth sectors. For the strategy to be effective, all concerned will need to bring its lessons to bear at the level of the individual firm and even plant. It is of course Government policy to encourage full consultations on company plans, and much progress is already being made with this in a number of companies. It will be for companies concerned to decide how best to consult their workforce on the forward plans which will be the subject of these discussions.

(iv) These detailed discussions will be more effective, and the SWPs themselves will have more momentum, if the industrial strategy becomes more widely known to the general public. This is a job for all the parties on the council.

On the basis of the work done so far there is a real prospect that the Industrial Strategy will make possible the necessary improvement in our trading performance. We recognized two years ago that we would not be able quickly to achieve the results for which we hoped and that there would be moments of disillusion and impatience.

We knew then that we were embarking on a long-term programme for reversing a long-term industrial decline. We knew that we would have to persevere or suffer the consequences of our failure.

We invite the council to reaffirm its commitment to the Industrial Strategy and to endorse the continuing work of the SWPs.



Mr Healey with Mr Varley and Mr Bernard Asher, acting director general of NEDO, at yesterday's press conference.

Nearly half of the 37 [illegible] sector working partie[illegible] set export targets

The National Economic Development Office has analysed the reports prepared by nearly 40 sector working parties as part of the industrial strategy exercise. The following is a brief summary:

The central objective of the Industrial Strategy is to improve industrial performance and the productive potential of manufacturing industry. The work done to this end since Christmas, 1976, by the Sector Working Parties (SWPs) and equivalent bodies has been reported to Council in individual reports, some of which consolidate the work of important sub-sector groups.

Most of the SWPs had formulated at least provisional market share objectives when they reported to the council at the end of 1976. In some cases these necessarily look at time horizons into the 1980s. In 1977 they have refined these provisional conclusions, disaggregated them to give more detail of products and markets and begun to discuss

Hazardous

Any attempt to add together the figures produced by different SWPs is hazardous since (i) it relies on material which was never intended for that purpose; (ii) the SWPs did not use uniform methods, assumptions or presentation; (iii) the SWPs cover only part of manufacturing industry and, therefore, cannot adequately take account of changes in demand in their customer industries and the effect on output; (iv) SWPs' proposals for action are often novel.

The SWPs were particularly asked to quantify their home and overseas market-share objectives and the implications for output and resources as far as possible. Not of all of them feel able yet to commit themselves to figures to this extent.

Sixteen out of 37 SWPs have so far agreed objectives for a share of world trade. Nine expect an increase by 1980-81; five aim to maintain their share; two foresee a slight decline.

Fifteen further SWPs have objectives which are aimed at improving the balance of trade within their industrial sector. This classification is meant only to give a broad indication of the possibilities considered by SWPs and in many cases their conclusions are tentative and conditional upon a number of other strategy aims, combined with environmental assumptions.

Objectives available on output growth (covering SWPs which account for about three-quarters of SWP output) suggest a very substantial improvement in the period 1975-80 to a little over 4 per cent per annum from the very low rate achieved in 1971-76 (under 1 per cent per annum).

Possible labour productivity growth is less spectacular but is still a significant improvement on recent trends (from about 3½ per cent per annum 1971-76 to perhaps 4½ per cent per annum 1975-80). But only about half the SWPs so far offer any kind of objectiv[illegible] terms of productivity.

Impressions of the re[illegible] effect on employment have [illegible] based on SWPs which cover about half the employm[illegible] SWP sectors. It appears th[illegible] these sectors as a whole em[illegible]ment is likely to decline sl[illegible] over the period from 1975 to [illegible] although this reduction wou[illegible] a great deal less than the [illegible] which has already taken plac[illegible] tween 1971 and 1976. Indeed[illegible] cause this fall continued be[illegible] 1975 and 1976, the achieveme[illegible] the market-share objectives [illegible] mean an increase in employ[illegible] in some of these sectors from [illegible] to 1980.

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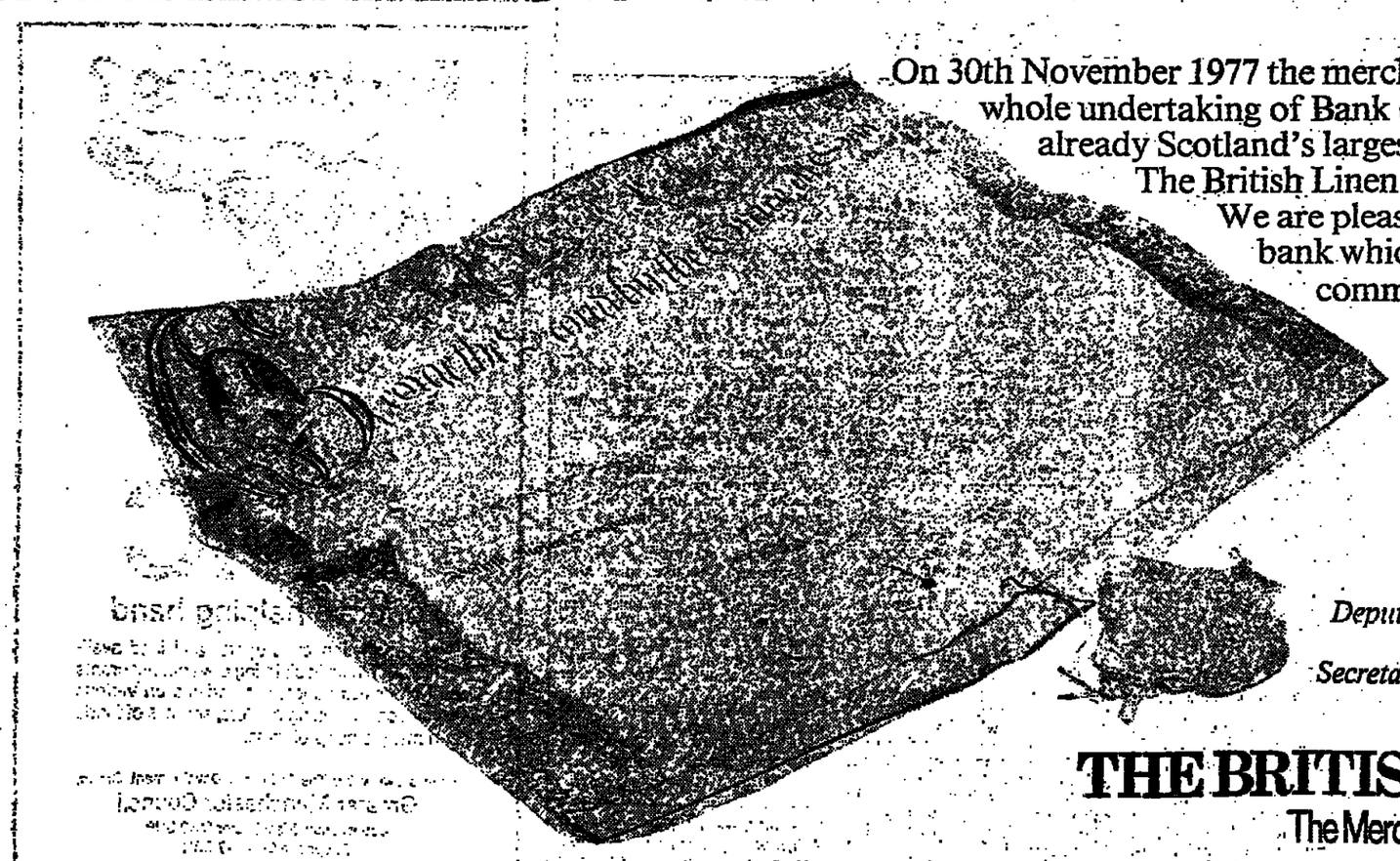
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good two-way trading added 11p to John Brown at 283p. Many buyers, impressed by Monday's meeting between the company and City analysts, had been holding off until the price drifted down and around 800,000 shares are thought to have passed through the market yesterday.

Comment on this week's figures gave a boost to BAT Industries, up 5p to 282p, but at Reed International, which also reported this week, profits were taken and shares slipped 5p to 130p.

Though, perhaps, below the very best expectations profits from Plessey were in line with most hopes and the shares closed 2p firmer at 91p. Most realize, though, that over the longer-terms much will depend on the rationalization of the electronics industry and the success of the group's aircraft landing system.

Fisons, up 5p to 382p, was another to perform well, but the low yielding Glaxo cam under pressure losing 8p for a close of 570p. To a lesser extent Beecham also lost ground for the same reason with a fall of 2p to 630p.

A combination of higher export prices and takeover talk lifted both Arthur Bell 2p to 216p and Highland Distillers 5p to 155p. Elsewhere in the drinks sector speculative demand lifted Geo Sandeman 3p *to 57p and also Davenport* Brewery 3p to 96p. For the last named there is talk of terms worth 120p but it is pointed out that around 40 per cent of the equity is tightly held.

Others to benefit from take- over talk included Tarmac, up 7p to 144p, Weir Group, which rose 7p to 110p after a 25,000 share-buying order had given rise to speculation, and Orme Developments which closed 3½p better at 55½p.

Disappointment with the Tilling terms lowered Liner Concrete 2½p to 31p while news that Taylor Woodrow had taken a 5 per cent stake left Bryant a penny to 46p. Henry Wigfall were unchanged at 268p after the formal rejection of Comet Radio, down a penny to 103p. Bullish figures coupled with the official document from Inchcape had Toyota dealer Pride & Clarke unmoved at 518p. Proposals for unitization or liquidization boosted Scottish Continental Investment which ended 20p to the good at 64p after a day of good support.

Fresh talk of a High Street *prices war depressed shares* like Sainsbury, down 4p to 173p, Kwik Save 4p to 186p and Bishops Stores whose 'A' shares dipped 10p to 135p. Modest growth in profits from Hillards proved a disappoint- ment and the shares ended 10 points lower at 185p.

In oils a combination of Wall Street influences and the tanker drivers' industria faction hit BP which ended 14p off at 782p while Oil Exploration flourished into renewed speculative life with a gain of 16p to 232p. The word is that talk with a Euro- pean oil company are now on again and that Government objections to such a deal are likely to be surmounted.

Ahead of the Eire Budget some interest was directed into *related stocks notably Cement* Roadstone which closed 3p to the good at 121p.

In mines South Crofty was a popular spot gaining 4p to 59p while platinum issues rallied from recent weakness with Rustenburg ending three points to the good at 95p.

The new Midland Bank shares ended their first trading session with a 14p premium on the 330p issue price while the existing equity drifted 5p down to 343p. Elsewhere, banks were mixed with Lloyds loosing 2p to 263p, Barclays firming by the same amount to 317p and Nationla Westminster closing unchanged at 265p.

Stores, a recent weak spot, firmed slightly. British Home Stores added a penny to 197p but this compares with a mid- January price of 215p. Marks & Spencer went 2p firmer to 142p while House of Fraser marked time at 139p.

Last week Lesney Products reached 70p and there was a session with institutions. Yester- day the shares i nthe Matchbox group were only 64p, down 2p. Christmas was not all that good for toy companies which do not profit usefully from TV games and skateboards. In the year to January Lesney, bereft of currency gains, probably saw profits fall from £10.1m to £8m or somewhat less but the stage seems to have been set for a complete recovery this year. That, anyway is what many hope.

News of a £4.5m property sale by Debenhams lifted the shares a penny to 101p while buyer Tesco was unchanged at 391p. In the shipping sector P & O dfd drifted 1½p lower to its 110p "support level while Furness Withy at 325p, Euro- pean Ferries at 108½p and British & Commonwealth at 283p added a penny or two.

Equity turnover on January 31 was £72.72m (12,817 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, accord- ing to Exchange Telegraph, were Shell, ICI, BAT Dfd, GEC, Gus 'A', BP, BAT, Ind. John Brown, European Ferries, Grand Metropolitan, Distillers, Weir Group, Reed International and Oil Exploration.

Latest results

Company	Sales £m	Profits £m	Earnings per share	Div pence	Pay date	Year's total
Int or Fin						
A.C.E. Mchnry (F)	—(—)	0.32(0.41)	—(—)	3.38(3.02)	6/4	—(3.02)
Arcolectric (F)	—(—)	0.32(0.19)	—(—)	0.22(0.22)	3/4	0.40(0.40)
Brit Dredging (I)	7.92(7.61)	0.15a(0.04)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(0.3)
Centrewy Secs (I)	3.38(2.46)	0.47(0.21)	25.9(11.9)	6.00(5.37)	28/2	—(10.8)
Daejan Hldgs (I)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	1.15(1.13)	4/4	—(2.9)
Drayton Far E (F)	—(—)	0.12(0.11)	—(—)	0.6(0.61)	4/4	0.9(0.8)
Hillards (I)	40.9(34.4)	1.15(1.01)	19.05(16.02)	1.0(1.0)	22/3	—(4.4)
Intereuropean (F)	11.86(10.84)	1.09a(1.41a)	—(—)	—(—)	—	—(—)
Kuala Lumpur (F)	—(—)	—(—)	—(—)	7.5(5.0)	8/4	12.5(10.0)
McKay Secs (I)	—(—)	0.16(0.11)	—(—)	0.78(0.7)	28/3	—(1.4)
Plessey (I)	162.9(141.4)	10.3(9.6)	—(—)	2.42(2.2)	1/7	—(4.8)
Prestige Grp (F)	54.89(47.93)	6.25(5.45)	17.38(13.53)	3.83(3.25)	—	5.5(5)
Pride & Clk (F)	56.7(38.5)	1.57(0.51)	37.6(11.6)	7.16(7.0)	10/3	11.16(10.0)
Sterl Credit (I)	—(—)	0.15(0.14)	—(—)	0.73(0.66)	23/3	—(1.79)
Wholesle Fitgs (I)	2.72(5.75)	0.64(0.45)	8.9(6.3)	2.02(1.81)	7/4	—(5.2)

Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends *are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.515. Profits are shown* pre-tax and earnings are net. a Loss.

Chieftain get Second Broadmount meeting

By Margaret Drummond

The ambitions of the Chieftain unit trust group to unitize £4m investment trust Second Broadmount took a step forward yesterday with the news that sufficient support has been received from shareholders to requisition an extraordinary general meeting for the purpose of putting the proposal to all shareholders.

The gunboat diplomacy of Chieftain's approach has not met with much favour from the Second Broadmount board, which last week promised to counter with alternative recom- mendations that "may be more beneficial to shareholders than those of Chieftain".

Chieftain is one of the newer and more aggressive unit trust groups and sees its bid to uni- tize Second Broadmount as an excellent way to add an extra £4m worth of funds to the £6m it has built up since its launch in August 1976. From the point of view of Second Broadmount shareholders unitization would mean elimination of the dis- count and an immediate increase in the capital value of their holdings.

Chieftain states that only an outside bid at a premium to net asset value could hope to better the terms of its own proposals. A voluntary liquidation of Second Broadmount, followed by a transfer to a new fund, Chieftain Income & Growth Trust, circumvents the problems of capital gains tax and stamp duty that arise fro ma merger.

But the Second Broadmount directors, while they own only 9.6 per cent of group shares, control some 46 per cent as trustees. Chieftain hopes that "*the directors will take their* action as trustees seriously and divorce themselves from their vested interest as directors", in deciding on the proposals being put before them.

RICHARDS

Chairman told AGM that next interim figures will seem at first sight disappointing but recession levelling out. Year's profit should be reasonable and dividend policy to stay progressive.

Intereuropean scenario shifts to cinemas and US sector

By Ray Maughan

Judging by the scale of recent disposals and the thrust of its current business expansion, Intereuropean Property Hold- ings is set for yet another change of name. Something of the order of Cinema & Real Estate Trading might be appropriate.

Formerly Tigon, then the Laurie Marsh Group (after the chairman), Intereuropean cut its losses from £1.41m to £1.1m in the year to end-July last. This takes in a £284,000 deficit on United Kingdom property sales against a slight profit in the previous year, exchange losses of £212,000 after £702,000 and interest of £2.95m against £2.56m. The profit and loss account has also been charged by £900,000 on French property disposal losses while a further £2m has been treated as a capital item. Post balance-sheet date losses in France have also been absorbed and, barring the continuing tax problems in Paris, the group hopes to start the current year with a clean slate.

The sale of property has enabled Intereuropean to repay



Mr Laurie Marsh, chairman of Intereuropean Property Hold- ings.

debts of about £12m but, while the French disposals were to have realised a surplus of about £2.5m, delays in completing these deals cost the group about £500,000 in interest charges and the extent of the final surplus is still unknown.

It seems that the French authorities are preparing to charge Intereuropean gains tax at 50 per cent rather than the originally assumed charge of 15 per cent and some 18m francs are still frozen in Paris.

The Classic cinema chain, where two new complexes have recently been added and nego- tiations are in hand for more, Central London cinemas, and United States real estate are expected to restore Intereuro- pean's profitability. After the record levels and the United scalding summers of 1975 and 1976, Classic is now trading at a States contributed around £300,000 pre-tax as a first time *contribution. The group is going* further into the condominium refurbishment and break-up market and plans to use the ensuing cash flow to expand its interests in the United States investment property sphere where it already owns the Air- port Park Hotel in Los Angeles.

The shares added up yester- day to 32½p which is half the estimate of net book value but, other than the 0.1p per share interim, there is no dividend for the year.

Tilling in with agreed 32p a share for Liner

By Bryan Appleyard

Thomas Tilling has made an agreed bid worth £3.1m for Liner Concrete Machinery.

The offer is worth 32p a share and comes after specula- tion had pushed Liner shares up as high as 38p. Terms are four Tilling shares for every 13 Liner.

The approach has been accep- ted by the Liner board with about 13 per cent of the equity and, Ferguson Industrial Hold- ings with just under 30 per cent.

The stake cost Ferguson a total of £450,000 or 16p per share and its existence had been providing a speculative sup- port for the Liner shares for some months.

The offer is worth ten times historic annual earnings and it is clear that is has come at a difficult time for Liner.

After last year's pre-tax pro- fits fall from £700,000 to £636,000, exports had suffered from a sharp setback in the Middle East and the home mar- ket is continuing to face a de- pressed level of construction activity.

One suggestion was that Liner would have done little more than break even at the half-way stage.

Yesterday Tilling shares fell 2p to 103p and Liner 2p to 30p.

BRITISH DREDGING

In second-half of 1977, board has concentrated on eliminating loss-making operations in Dunkirk, Dordrecht and Brugge. Although proving successful, it is expected that the group will show trading loss for year.

Future of Scot & Continental

The directors of Scottish and Continental Investment are to call a meeting of shareholders to consider a resolution to go into liquidation.

The board states that in con- sidering the future of the group, managed by Murray Johnstone, it has taken note of the special- ized nature of its activities, the higher-than-average discount at which its shares are quoted and the abolition of the 25 per cent surrender rule on the sale of premium investments. Possible ways of saving the group from liquidation included making it a unit trust, and bringing the realizable value of shareholders' funds more into line with the asset value of the group. How- ever, the board has decided not to proceed with any such *scheme and will now try to put* its resolution to shareholders.

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Estates is to develop site in Cologne-Porz 150,000 sq ft of in- ial warehouse space phase project. The of 65,000 sq ft is per cent pre-let, at ound £1.70 per sq ft. up has also bought nzie Hill's stake in man Industrial De- which already owns warehouse develop- ound 80,000 sq ft in Both sides will be r investment.

Steady going as Prestige tops first-time £6m in peak year

By Tony May

Steady going over the year has brought yet another record result at Prestige, the house- wares and kitchen tools group. Sales for the year to December 31 went up 14.5 per cent to £54.89m, while pre-tax profits reflect an improvement in mar- gins in their near 15 per cent increase to £6.2m. The gross dividend is raised from 7.7p to 8.4p while earnings a share are 17.4p against 13.5p.

Profits are struck after crediting a surplus from changes in foreign exchange rates of nearly £90,000 com- pared with a deficit last year *of £282,000. Income from short-* term investments went down from £331,000 to £233,000 fol- lowing the fall in United King- dom interest rates and also a reduction of short-term invest- ments as a result of United Kingdom corporation tax pay- ments which went up to over £2m. This compared with £511,000 in 1976 when there was substantial benefit from stock appreciation relief.

The group, which is United States controlled, notes that tax represents only 49 per cent of pre-tax profits, compared with 53.3 per cent last year. This is mainly because the surplus from changes in foreign ex- *change rates was not subject to* tax in 1977 while part of the deficits did not qualify for tax relief in 1976.

As usual the second half pro- vided most of the year's profits and the growth rate here was nearly 9 per cent with profits reaching £3.7m before tax. The results did not alter the mar- kets view of the group and the shares remained unchanged at 158p for a yield of 5.34 per cent and a pe of 9.

The balance sheet at the year end showed a strong cash posi- tion although liquidity was re- duced mainly as a result of the higher United Kingdom corpor- ation tax charge.

Hillards midterm bears out report forecast

By Victor Felstead

In line with its warning in the last annual report, the growth rate of Hillards, the supermarkets and stores group, *has slowed dramatically. For* the 28 weeks to November 12, pre-tax profits were just 13.6 per cent higher at £1.15m, com- pared with more than doubled figures for the previous 12 months. Turnover was less than 19 per cent up at £40.9m —in 1976-77 it showed a gain of 29 per cent. On a pre-tax basis, margins have been trimmed from 2.94 to 2.81 per cent.

However, because no pro- vision is now being made for deferred tax, the charge is almost halved from £83,000 to £44,000. Net profits rose by 19 per cent to £1.1m and earn- ings per share are up from 16.02p to 19.05p. Maintaining the interim dividend at 1.51p gross, Mr Gordon Hunter, chairman, explains that the half-time results reflect the *sharply increased competition* which has occurred throughout the retail sector and the overall *decline in consumer spending.*

Hillards is based in West Yorkshire, with 43 super- markets and stores. But pro- gress is being made on the development of new units. The "superstore" at Alfreton, Derbyshire, opened at the end of November and building work has started at Mickleover, on the outskirts of Derby.

If Hillards can march the £1.29m pre-tax made in the second half of 1976-77, it could make about £2.4m for the full year, against the previous year's record £2.31m.

Economic expansion muted but Mitsui 45pc ahead

Mitsui & Co, Japan's second largest trading house, an- nounces consolidated net profit in the half-year ended Septem- ber 30, 1977, rose by 45.3 per cent to 3,200m yen (about £6.5m) from 2,200m yen in the similar period.

Gross trading transactions in the half-year gained only 1.6 per cent to 4,000,000m yen from 3,900,000m yen a year earlier.

Gross trading profit rose by 2.6 per cent to 124,500m yen from 121,300m yen. Pre-tax net profit fell by 52.5 per cent to 5,800m yen from 12,300m yen.

Import sector trade was flat and overseas trade was down by 2 per cent. Domestic trans- actions also fell by 2 per cent to 2,000,000m yen, or 51 per cent of sales against 53 per cent in the 1976 period.

The company said that Jap- anese government measures to stimulate the economy resulted in only limited expansion of final demand, personal con- sumption and industrial produc- tion.

Montefibre hard hit

Montefibre SPA, the Italian fibres group, says that it will pay only half of January salaries to its 20,000 workers because of its financial prob- lems. Montefibre, controlled by Montedison SPA, showed a loss of 52,000m lire (about £28.9m) in the first eight months of 1977—about half of the registered capital — and is known to be short of cash. The partial payment, Montefibre says, was due to the delayed delivery of some 400,000m lire in special government funds. Montefibre's losses are due to declining sales which in turn were caused by slackened de- mand and competition from Asian countries.

International

Shell Oil (US)

Earnings ahead at $735m (about £386.8m) and capital expenditure of $1,800m during 1977, set new records for Shell Oil Co of America.

Net profit advanced by 4 per cent and capital investment by 31 per cent. The 1977 ratio of earnings to shareholders' equity was 16, compared with 18 per cent.

Briefly

Centreway set for strong finish

Confirmation of the en- couraging outlook expected for the full year at Centreway was enough to send the shares 6p ahead to 187p yesterday.

This followed the group's interim figures which showed pre-tax profits for the six months to September 30 more than doubled at £474,000 Turn- over increased from £2.46m to £3.38m pushing margins up from 8.8 to 14 per cent. Earn- ings a share are 25.9p com- pared with 11.9p and the interim dividend is raised from 8.14p to 9.09p gross.

Recently Centreway bid 41p a share for Blakey's (Malleable Castings) in which it already had a stake of nearly 33 per cent.

CLIFTON INVESTMENTS

Of the 3.37m ordinary of Clifton Investments sold on January 24 by Alcrafield, Mr E. G. L. Carter bought 1.5m (about 24.14 per cent) and Mr J. C. Green 1.86m (29.9 per cent).

PLEASURAMA

Templelock, a joint operation with Mecca now holding 75 per cent of equity, has substituted Ritz *Casino for the AM Casino in the* agreement. Company is also buy- ing two casinos from Mecca for £385,000.

BRYANT HOLDINGS

Taylor Woodrow has bought 1.05m ordinary, or 5.25 per cent of capital. Stake to be held simply as trade investment.

DAVID CHARLES

Joint liquidators Thornton Baker and Cork Gully consider that ultimate realisations in liquidation of David Charles Management Services will not be enough to discharge claims of preferential creditors. So nothing for unse- cured creditors.

BOSTON TRUST & SAVINGS

Boston Trust & Savings, a subsi- diary of First National Bank of Boston, plans to expand number of its moneyshops this year from 14 to 18, two of them in Scotland.

IMI LOAN

A $100m syndicated loan has been arranged in Euromarket for Istituto Mobiliare Italiano.

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MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

COPPER was barely steady both cash wire bars and three months losing 25.75.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars, £627.50-28.00 a metric ton; three months, £641-41.50. Sales, 1,400 tons. Cash cathodes, £617-18; three months, £630.50-31.00. Sales, 300 tons. Morning.—Cash wire bars, £629-29.50; three months, £642.50-43.00. Settlement, £629.50. Sales, 7,000 tons. Cash cathodes, £619-20; three months, £632.50-33.00. Settlement, £629. Sales, 1,550 tons.
SILVER was steady.—Bullion market (fixing levels).—Spot, 256.6p per troy ounce (United States cents equivalent, 500); three months, 260.5p (508.1c); six months, 265.1p (517.7c); one year, 275.6p (538.2c). London Metal Exchange.—Afternoon.—Cash, 254.5-55.00p; three months, 258.9-59.0p. Sales, 51 lots of 10,000 troy ounces each. Morning.—Cash, 256.3-56.7p; three months, 260.6-60.8p. Settlement, 256.7p. Sales, 11.
TIN was quiet.—Afternoon.—Standard cash, £6,560-70 a metric ton; three months, £6,190-6,200. Sales, 335 tons. High grade, cash, £6,560-70; three months, £6,200-6220. Sales, 5 tons. Morning.—Standard cash, £6,588-92; three months, £6,225-35. Settlement, £6,592. Sales, 650 tons. High grade, cash, £6,588-92; three months, £6,200-60. Settlement, £6,592. Sales, 70 tons. Singapore tin ex-works, $M1,698 a picul.
LEAD.—Cash lost £11.25 and three months was £11 lower.—Afternoon.—Cash, £311.50-12.00 per metric ton; three months, £317.50-18.00. Sales, 2,200 tons. Morning.—Cash, £313-14.50; three months, £320-20.50. Settlement, £314.50. Sales, 2,500 tons.
ZINC. Both cash and three months lost £8.75.—Afternoon.—Cash, £249-50 a metric ton; three months, £253-54. Sales, 1,800 tons. Morning.—Cash, £249.50-50.50; three months, £253.75-55.00. Settlement, £250.50. Sales, 500 tons. All afternoon prices are unofficial.
PLATINUM was at £111.60 ($217.50) a troy ounce.
RUBBER was uncertain (pence per kilo).—March, 46.90-47.30; April-June, 47.75-48.00; 47.20-47.60; April-June, 47.75-48.00; July-Sept, 49.60-49.55; Oct-Dec, 51.15-51.20; Jan-March, 52.90-53.00; April-June, 54.60-54.70; July-Sept, 56.20-56.30; Oct-Dec, 57.70-57.80. Sales: 205 lots at 15 tonnes.
RUBBER PHYSICALS were steadier.—Spot, 47-48.75. Cifs, March, 48-48.50; April, 48.25-48.75.
COFFEE: Robustas were steady; arabicas were steady.—
ROBUSTAS (£ per metric tonne): March, 1,757-58 per metric ton; May, 1,612-17; July, 1,538-39; Sept, 1,485; Nov, 1,435-40; Jan, 1,375-1,400; March, 1,330-69. Sales: 1,051 lots including 19 options.
ARABICAS ($ per 50 kilos): April, 200.10-07.25; June, 191.60-92.00; Aug, 179.15-79.40; Oct, 166.50-68.00; Dec, 152.05-66.95; Feb, 148.70-49.90. Sales: 49 lots.
PALM OIL was dull.—Feb and March, £270-80; April, May, June, July, Aug, Sept and Oct, all £260-70.
COCOA was steady.—March, £1,550-55 per metric ton; May, £1,476-77; July, £1,448-50; Sept, £1,425-28; Dec, £1,407-09; March, £1,373-97; May, £1,375-80. Sales 5,708 lots including 8 options. ICCO prices: daily, 129.60c; 15-day average, 133.41c; 22-day average, 135.32c (US cents per lb).
SUGAR futures were barely steady. The London daily price of "raws" was unchanged at £111; the "whites" price was unchanged at £117.—March, £119.30-19.40 per metric ton; May, £125.30-25.35; Aug, £125.35-25.40; Oct, £127.10-27.30; Dec, £128.85-29.00; March, £132.60-33.00; May, £134.50-35.50. Sales: 2,794 lots. ISA prices: 8.85c; 15-day average 8.88c.
SOYABEAN MEAL was steady.—Feb, £105-09 per metric ton; April, £103.30-03.50; June, £105.50-05.70; Aug, £104-04.20; Oct, £104.20-04.80; Dec, £104.50-05.00; Feb, £104-07. Sales: 112 lots.

WOOL.—Greasy futures were steady (pence per kilo).—March, 232-37; May, 232-35; July, 232-35; Oct, 236-43; Dec, 240-42; March, 243-45; May, 244-47; July, 244-47. Sales, nil.
JUTE was steady.—Bangladesh white "C" grade, afloat $490 per long ton, "D" grade, afloat $475. Calcutta was steady.—Indian, spot, Rs560 per bale of 400lb. Dundee Tossa Four, spot, Rs560.
GRAIN (The Baltic).—**WHEAT.**—Canadian western red spring No 1, 13½ per cent: Feb and March, £84 Tilbury. US dark northern spring No 2, 14 per cent: Feb, £83; March, £81.75 trans-shipment east coast.
MAIZE.—No 3 yellow American/French: Feb, £98; March, £99; April, £100.75 trans-shipment east coast. Kenya grade 3 March, £70 nominal. South African yellow March, £67.75 quoted.
BARLEY was unquoted. All per tonne cif UK unless stated.
London Grain Futures Market (Gafta). EEC origin.—**BARLEY** was quiet: March, £73.60; May, £76.08; Sept, £79.75; Nov, £82.10; Jan, £84.45. Sales, 84 lots.
WHEAT was quiet: March, £83.50; May, 87.55; Sept, £84.10; Nov, £86.40; Jan, £88.75. Sales, 90 lots.
Home-Grown Cereal Authority.—Location ex-farm spot price: feed BARLEY, Hertford, £69.80.
MEAT COMMISSION: Average fatstock prices at representative markets on February 1.—
GB: Cattle, 63.55p per kglw (+1.44). **UK:** Sheep, 129.4p per kgestdcw (-0.9). **GB:** Pigs, 59.8p per kglw (-0.5). **ENGLAND AND WALES:** Cattle numbers down 18.7 per cent, average price 63.96p (+1.37). Sheep numbers down 8.3 per cent, average price 128.8p (-2.5). Pig numbers up 3.2 per cent, average price 59.8p (-0.5). **SCOTLAND:** Cattle numbers up 3.0 per cent, average price 62.34p (+1.97). Sheep numbers down 37.6 per cent, average price 132.4p (+6.8). Pig numbers up 4.1 per cent, average price 57.8p (-1.2).

NATWEST UNIT TRUST

National Westminster today launches its seventh unit trust, the Universal Fund, which as its name suggests will have an international portfolio. The present intention of the investment managers is that 70 per cent of the fund will be in the United States, 10 per cent in Canada with the balance split between the Far East and United Kingdom companies with strong overseas interests.

Eurobond prices (midday indicators)

US STRAIGHTS ($)

	Bid	Offer
Australia 7¾ 1984	[illegible]	[illegible]
Australia 8½ 1992	[illegible]	[illegible]
Aust Mining 9¼ 1992	98	[illegible]
Avco 9¾ 1985	[illegible]	100¼
Barclays 8½ 1992	[illegible]	97¼
Bowater 9¼ 1992	[illegible]	97¼
British Gas 9 1981	101½	102¼
Citicorp 6¾ 1980	[illegible]	97
Citicorp 7 1981	[illegible]	96¼
CECA 8¼ 1989	95	95¼
CECA 8½ 1987	[illegible]	95¼
DSM 8¼ 1987	[illegible]	97
Elf Aquitaine 8½ 1985	96	96¼
EIB 8½ 1987	97	97¼
EEC 7¾ 1984	96	96¼
Fisons 8½ 1992	[illegible]	95
Gotaverken 7¾ 1982	98	99¼
Gotaverken 8¼ 1987	[illegible]	95¼
Hydro Quebec 9 1992	[illegible]	96
ICI 8¼ 1987	[illegible]	97
IU O'seas 8½ 1987	[illegible]	97
Light-Services 9 1983	97½	98¼
MacMillan Bloed 9 1992	96½	97
Midland Int 8¾ 1992	[illegible]	97¼
NCB 8 1987	[illegible]	[illegible]
Nat West 9 1986	101¼	102¼
New Zealand 7¾ 1983	[illegible]	96¼
Nippon Fudosan 8 1981	[illegible]	[illegible]
Occidental 8¾ 1987	[illegible]	98
Occidental 9¾ 1981	102¼	103
Offshore Mining 8¾ 1985	97¼	98
Quebec 9 1995	[illegible]	96¼
Rank Hovis 9 1992	[illegible]	[illegible]
R. J. Reynolds 9¼ 1986	[illegible]	100¼
Sandvik 9¼ 1986	[illegible]	101¼
Statsforetag 7¾ 1982	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sundstrand 8¾ 1987	[illegible]	98¼
Sweden 7½ 1982	[illegible]	98
Sweden 8¼ 1987	[illegible]	95¼
Tauernautobahn 8¼ 1987	[illegible]	97¼
Walter Kidde 8¼ 1985	96¼	97¼

FLOATING RATE NOTES

	Bid	Offer
Andelsbanken 7 11/16 1984	96¼	96¾
CCF 6¾ 1985	[illegible]	[illegible]
IBJ 7 11/16 1982	[illegible]	[illegible]
LTCB 6¾ 1982	[illegible]	99¼
OKB 6¾ 1985	[illegible]	[illegible]
Soc Gen 7 9/16 1984	98	98¼

CANADIAN DOLLARS

	Bid	Offer
Avco 9¼ 1982	98¼	99
BM-Rt 8¼ 1982	97¼	98¼
Ford 8½ 1984	97¼	98¼
British Columbia MFA 9 1997	98¼	99¼
Rank 9¼ 1982	99¼	100
Walter Heller 9½ 1984	98¼	99¼

DEUTSCHE MARKS

	Bid	Offer
CFP 6½ 1.7.84	105	105¼
ICI 6¾ 1.5.87	105	105½
New Zealand 6¼ 1.5.84	105¼	106
Phvrn 6¼ 1.9.89	101¼	102¼
Quebec Hydro 6½ 16.8.87	101¼	101¼

US $ CONVERTIBLES

	Bid	Offer
American Express 4¼ 1987	79	81
Beatrice Foods 4¼ 1992	95	95
Beatrice Foods 6¼ 1991	105¼	107¼
Beecham 6¼ 1992	[illegible]	[illegible]
Borden 6¼ 1991	105¼	107¼
Carnation 4 1988	76¼	78¼
Chevron 5 1988	116¼	118¼
Eastman Kodak 4½ 1988	81¼	83¼
Fairchild Camera 5½ 1991	79	81
FORD 5 1988	80¼	82¼
Ford 6 1986	91	[illegible]
General Electric 4¼ 1987	81¼	83¼
Gillette 4¾ 1987	77	79
Gould 5 1987	111	113
Gulf & Western 5 1988	77¼	79¼
Honeywell 6 1986	[illegible]	[illegible]
ICI 6¾ 1997	[illegible]	[illegible]
INA 6 1997	98	[illegible]
Inchcape 6¾ 1992	102¼	103¼
ITT 4½ 1987	74¼	76¼
J. Ray McDermott 4¾ 1987	140¼	142¼
Mitsui Real Estate 6 1992	114¼	116¼
J. P. Morgan 4¼ 1987	94¼	96¼
Nabisco 5½ 1988	100	102
J. C. Penney 4½ 1987	74	76
Revlon 4¼ 1987	106	107
Reynolds Metals 5 1988	83	85
Sperry Rand 4¼ 1988	80	82
Squibb 4¼ 1987	77¼	79¼
Sumitomo Electric 6 1992	120¼	122¼
Texaco 4½ 1988	76¼	78¼
Union Bank of Switz 4½ 1987	138	140
Warner Lambert 4¼ 1987	78	80
Xerox Corp 5 1988	76¼	78¼

Source: Kidder Peabody Securities Limited.

Recent Issues

	Closing Price
Cardiff City 11½% Bd 1986 (£100)	[illegible]
Exchequer 10¼% 1995 (£96)	[illegible]
Farmer S.W. 25p Ord (184)	[illegible]
Grampian Reg Cncl 10¾% 1985 (£99)	[illegible]
Holden (Arthur) 25p Ord (53)	[illegible]
Mid Kent Wtr 7% 1982 (£a)	[illegible]
Stress (Henry) 25p Ord	[illegible]
Treasury 10½% 1999 (£35h)	[illegible]

RIGHTS ISSUES	Latest date of renun	
Com Bnk Aust ($A1.75)	Mar 10	38 prem
L R C Int (40)		[illegible]
Manch Garages (21)		[illegible]
Midland Bank (330)		[illegible]
Nat Bnk of Aust ($A1.75)	Mar 2	47 prem
Nell J. (43)	Mar 10	6 prem
Preedy A. (58)	Mar 3	25 prem

Issue price in parentheses. * Ex dividend. + Issued by tender. = Nil paid. a £20 paid. b £50 paid. c £15 paid. d £30 paid. e £25 paid. f Fully paid. g £5 paid. h £55 paid. i £45 paid. j £60 paid.

Wall Street

New York, Feb 1.—The New York stock market posted a broad general gain from a late session rally assisted by the dollar's sharp rise against the French franc.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 4.42 points to 774.34.

Some 940 issues showed gains with 420 lower.

Volume totalled 22.24 million shares, up from 19.87 million yesterday.

Although analysts generally couldn't pinpoint the reason for the rise, some felt that the dollar's stability was a factor.

	Feb 1	Jan 31		Feb 1	Jan 31		Feb 1	Jan 31
Allied Chem	37¾	38	Fst Penn Corp	16¼	16¼	Republic Steel	24¼	24½
Allied Stores	19¼	19¼	Ford	42	41¾	Reynolds Ind	55¼	55¾
Allied Supermkt	2⅞	2⅞	GAF Corp	11½	11¾	Reynolds Metal	25¾	26
Allis Chalmers	24¼	24¼	Gamble Skogmo	27¼	27¼	Rockwell Int	29½	29½
Alcoa	39¼	39¼	Gen Dynamics	42¼	41	Royal Dutch	56	56½
Amax Inc	33¼	34¼	Gen Electric	46¼	45¼	Safeways	39	39
Amerada Hess	22½	23¼	Gen Foods	29¼	29½	St Regis Paper	26¼	26½
Am Airlines	10½	10¼	Gen Mills	27½	27½	Santa Fe Ind	32¼	33½
Am Brands	43½	43¼	Gen Motors	55¼	58¼	SCM	[illegible]	[illegible]
Am Broadcast	35¼	35¼	Gen Pub Util NY	19	19	Schlumberger	65½	67¼
Am Can	36¼	36½	Gen Tel Elec	29¼	29½	Scott Paper	13½	14
Am Cyanamid	25¼	25	Gen Tire	21	23¼	Seaboard Coast	31¼	32¼
Am Elec Power	23¼	23¼	Genesco	5¼	5¼	Seagram	20¼	20¼
Am Home	28¼	28¼	Georgia Pacific	25¼	24½	Sears Roebuck	23¼	23¼
Am Motors	4¼	4	Getty Oil	159	159¼	Shell Oil	31¼	31¼
Am Nat Res	41	41¼	Gillette	25	25	Shell Trans	37¼	37¼
Am Standard	34¼	34¼	Goodrich	17¼	18¼	Signal Co	25¼	25¼
Am Telephone	58¼	57¼	Goodyear	16¼	16¼	Singer	19¼	19¼
AMF Inc	16½	17	Gould Inc	25½	25¼	Sony	7¼	7¼
Armco Steel	25¼	26¼	Grace	25¼	25¼	Sth Cal Edison	25¼	25¼
Asarco	15¼	15¼	Gt Atlic & Pacific	7½	7½	Southern Pacific	33¼	33¼
Ashland Oil	28¼	28¼	Greyhound	12¼	12½	Southern Rly	47¼	47¼
Atlantic Richfield	46¼	45¼	Grumman Corp	15½	15¼	Sperry Rand	34	34
Avco	17¼	17½	Gulf Oil	24¼	24¼	Squibb	28¼	28¼
Avon Products	45¼	44¼	Gulf & West	11¼	11¼	Std Brands	25¼	25¼
Babcock & Wcox	57¼	57½	Heinz H. J.	35¼	35¼	Std Oil California	36¼	36¼
Bankers Tst NY	35	35¼	Hercules	15	14¼	Std Oil Indiana	46¼	46
Bank of America	21¼	21¼	Honeywell	44¼	44	Std Oil Ohio	67¼	67¼
Bank of NY	30¼	30	IC Inds	23¼	23¼	Sterling Drug	13¼	13¼
Beatrice Foods	22¼	22¼	Ingersoll	55¼	55¼	Stevens J. P.	15	15
Bell & Howell	14½	14½	Inland Steel	35¼	35¼	Stude Worth	46	46
Bendix	33¼	33	IBM	265½	265½	Sunbeam Corp	19¼	19¼
Bethlehem Steel	22¼	22¼	Int Harvester	28¼	29¼	Sun Comp	35¼	35¼
Boeing	26¼	26¼	INCO	14¼	15	Sundstrand	21¼	21¼
Boise Cascade	24¼	23¼	Int Paper	39¼	39¼	Teledyne	67¼	67¼
Borden	29¼	29	Int Tel Tel	28¼	28¼	Tenneco	28¼	28¼
Borg Warner	26¼	26¼	Jewel Co	16¼	15¼	Texaco	25	25
Bristol Myers	32¼	31¼	Jim Walter	28¼	27¼	Texas East Trans	35¼	35¼
BP	15¼	15¼	Johns-Manville	28¼	28¼	Texas Inst	74	74
Budd	32¼	32¼	Johnson & John	70¼	69¼	Texas Utilities	20	20¼
Burlington Ind	20¼	20¼	Kaiser Alumin	29¼	29¼	Textron	25¼	25¼
Burlington Ntbn	39¼	39¼	Kennecott	22¼	22¼	TWA	11¼	11¼
Burroughs	66¼	65¼	Kerr McGee	43¼	43¼	Travelers Corp	26¼	26¼
Campbell Soup	32¼	31¼	Kimberly Clark	42¼	42¼	TRW Inc	39¼	39¼
Canadian Pacific	14¼	15	Kraftco Corp	43	43	UAL Inc	21	21
Caterpillar	50¼	49½	K Mart	24¼	24¼	Unilever Ltd	41¼	41¼
Celanese	38¼	38¼	Kroger	24¼	24¼	Unilever NV	53¼	53¼
Central Soya	13	13¼	Ligget Group	28¼	28¼	Union Bancorp	12¼	12¼
Charter NY	27¼	27¼	L.T.V. Corp	6¼	6	Union Carbide	38¼	38¼
Chase Manhat	25	27¼	Litton	14¼	14¼	Union Oil Calif	46¼	46¼
Chem Bank NY	39¼	39	Lockheed	13¼	12¼	Un Pacific Corp	42¼	42¼
Chesapeake Ohio	33¼	33¼	Lucky Stores	13¼	13¼	Uniroyal	7¼	7¼
Chrysler	13¼	12¼	Manuf Hanover	33¼	33¼	United Brands	7¼	7¼
Citicorp	20¼	20¼	Mapco	35¼	35¼	US Industries	7¼	7¼
Cities Service	47¼	47¼	Marathon Oil	42¼	42¼	US Steel	28¼	28¼
Clark Equip	31¼	31¼	Marine Midland	14¼	14¼	Utd Technol	34¼	34¼
Coca Cola	35¼	35¼	Martin Marietta	25¼	25¼	Wachovia	16¼	16¼
Colgate	20	19¼	McDonnell	24¼	24¼	Warner Comm	31¼	31¼
CBS	46¼	46¼	Mead	20	20¼	Warner Lambert	27¼	27¼
Columbia Gas	28	27¼	Merck	55¼	54¼	Wells Fargo	25¼	25¼
Combustion Eng	34¼	34¼	Minnesota Mng	47¼	46¼	West'n Bancorp	30¼	30¼
Comwlth Edison	27¼	27¼	Mobil Oil	59¼	59¼	Westinghse Elec	17¼	17¼
Cons Edison	23¼	23¼	Monsanto	51¼	50¼	Weyerhauser	24	24¼
Cons Foods	21¼	21¼	Morgan J. P.	41¼	40¼	Whirlpool	20¼	20¼
Cons Power	23	23¼	Motorola	35	35	White Motor	8¼	8¼
Continental Grp	31¼	30¼	NCR Corp	41¼	40¼	Woolworth	17¼	17¼
Continental Oil	28¼	28¼	NL Industries	16¼	16¼	Xerox Corp	45¼	45¼
Control Data	26	25¼	Nabisco	49	49	Zenith	13¼	13¼
Corning Glass	49½	49½	Nat Distillers	21¼	21¼			
CPC Intnl	43¼	43¼	Nat Steel	31¼	31¼			
Crane	25¼	25¼	Norfolk West	28¼	28¼			
Crocker Int	24¼	24¼	NW Bancorp	22¼	22¼			
Crown Zeller	31¼	31¼	Norton Simon	18¼	18¼			
Dart Ind	36	35¼	Occidental Pet	21¼	21¼			
Deere	24¼	24¼	Ogden	22¼	23¼			
Del Monte	32¼	32¼	Olin Corp	16	16¼			
Delta Air	38¼	38¼	Owens-Illinois	21	21¼			
Detroit Edison	16¼	16¼	Pacific Gas Elec	23¼	23¼			
Disney	33¼	33¼	Pan Am	5	5			
Dow Chemical	25¼	25¼	Penney J. C.	33¼	33¼			
Dresser Ind	40¼	39¼	Pennzoil	28¼	28¼			
Duke Power	21¼	21¼	Pepsico	25¼	25¼			
Du Pont	108¼	108¼	Pet Inc	37¼	35¼			
Eastern Air	7¼	7¼	Pfizer	27¼	27¼			
Eastman Kodak	46	45¼	Phelps Dodge	19¼	19			
Eaton Corp	34½	34¼	Philip Morris	59¼	58½			
El Paso Nat Gas	15¼	15¼	Phillips Petrol	28¼	28¼			
Equitable Life	24¼	24	Polaroid	25¼	25¼			
Esmark	27¼	27¼	PPG Ind	24¼	23¼			
Evans P. D.	14½	14¼	Proctor Gamble	78¼	78¼			
Exxon Corp	46¼	45¼	Pub Ser El & Gas	22¼	22¼			
Fed Dept Stores	36	36	Pullman	24¼	24¼			
Firestone	15	15	Rapid American	5¼	5¼			
Fst Chicago	17½	17½	Raytheon	30¼	31¼			
Fst Nat Boston	25¼	25¼	RCA Corp	24¼	24			

Canadian Prices

	Feb 1	Jan 31
Abitibi	10¼	10¼
Alcan Alumin	26¼	26½
Algoma Steel	15	[illegible]
Bell Telephone	52¼	[illegible]
Cominco	27¼	[illegible]
Cons Bathurst	21	[illegible]
Falconbridge	17½	[illegible]
Gulf Oil	28¼	[illegible]
Hawker Sid Can	5.88	5.88
Hudson Bay Min	16	16
Hudson Bay Oil	43	[illegible]
Imasco	28½	[illegible]
Imperial Oil	15½	15¼
Int Pipe	14¼	14¼
Mass.-Fergsn	15	[illegible]
Royal Trust	15¼	15¼
Seagram	23¼	[illegible]
Steel Co	22¼	[illegible]
Talcorp	8¼	[illegible]
Thomson N 'A'	12	[illegible]
Walker Hiram	29¼	29¼
WCT	32	31¼

• Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. h Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

Foreign exchange.—Sterling, spot, 1.9485 (1.9485); three months, 1.9460 (1.9458); Canadian dollar, 89.95 (90.30).

The Dow Jones spot commodity index was up 0.04 to 347.66. The futures index was up 0.37 to 350.65.

The Dow Jones averages.—Industrials, 774.34 (769.92); transportation, 210.31 (208.56); utilities, 105.24 (104.77); 65 stocks, 271.05 (269.37).

New York Stock Exchange index, 49.79 (49.41); industrials, 55.01 (53.00); transportation, 39.01 (38.83); utilities, 38.82 (38.54); financial, 50.66 (50.24).

Gold loses ground

New York, Feb 1.—**GOLD** futures closed lower in moderately active trading. NY COMEX: Feb, $175.50; March, $176.70; April, $178.00; June, $180.50; Aug, $183.00; Oct, $185.50; Dec, $188.10; Feb, $190.80; April, $193.80; June, $196.80; Aug, $199.80; Oct, $202.80; Dec, $205.90. CHICAGO IMM: March, $176.80-176.70; June, $180.70-180.50; Sept, $184.30-184.40; Dec, $188.30-188.00; March, $192.60; June, $196.70; Sept, $201.00; Dec, $205.00.

SILVER futures finished near the lows, losing 3.40 to 3.90 cents. Feb, 493.20c; March, 496.20c; April, 499.70c; May, 503.30c; July, 510.50c; Sept, 517.90c; Dec, 529.20c; Jan, 532.90c; March, 540.50c; May, 548.20c; July, 555.90c; Sept, 563.60c; Dec, 575.30c. Handy and Harman of Canada, $5.493 ($5.579).

COPPER closed barely steady. Feb, 56.80c; March, 57.20c; April, 57.70c; May, 58.20c; July, 59.20c; Sept, 60.10c; Dec, 61.40c; Jan, 61.90c; March, 62.80c; May, 63.70c; July, 64.70c; Sept, 64.70c; Dec, 67.10c.

SUGAR: Scattered day trading and possible industrial pricing steadied world sugar futures, which ended down 0.01 to 0.02 cent. March, 9.39-40c; May, 9.74-75c; July, 9.88-89c; Sept, 10.02-04c; Oct, 10.11c; Jan, 10.35-0.55c; March, 10.63-0.66c; May, 10.84-0.86c; July, 11.03-07.

COCOA futures rallied on late local and commission house short-covering to finish 0.05 to 0.55 per cent higher. March 134.00c; May 124.25c; July 130.00c; Sept 117.70c; Dec 114.75c; March 112.60c; May 111.00c.

COFFEE prices closed unchanged to 1.12 cents lower in the actively traded nearby months. March 189.99-90.00c; May 169.75c; July 156.50-7.25c; Sept 150.00-1.00c; Dec 133.00-5.50c; March, 132.50-9.00c; July, 125.00c bid.

COTTON futures slipped at the close with net losses of 0.39 to 0.10 cent. March 55.35-45; May 56.50-55c; July 57.50-55c; Oct 58.65c; Dec 59.10c; March 59.70-60.10c; May 60.00-60c; July 60.50-2.00c.

CHICAGO SOYABEANS: Soyabean futures posted one to 2¼ cent gains. SOYABEANS.—March, 566-65¼c; May, 573¼-¼c; July, 578¼; Aug, 578¼-79c; Sept, 568c; Nov, 566¼-¼c; Jan, 572¼c; March, 580c. SOYABEAN OIL.—March, 20.72-80c; May, 20.55-60c; July, 20.45-50c; Aug, 20.45c; Sept, 19.95-20.00c; Oct, 19.55c; Dec, 19.50c; Jan, 19.35-40c; March, 19.30-40c. SOYABEAN MEAL.—March, $149.20-9.00; May, $153.00-3.10; July, $156.10-6.50; Aug, $157.00-7.30; Sept, $156.80-7.30; Oct, $156.30-6.80; Dec, $158.30; Jan, $159.00-9.10.

CHICAGO Grains: Wheat futures added ¼ to ½ cent a bushel. WHEAT: March, 267¾-¼c; May, 273¼-¼c; July, 277¼c; Sept, 282¼c; Dec, 290¼c; March, 298c. MAIZE: March, 226¼-26c; May, 229¼c; July, 230¼-30c; Sept, 236¼c; Dec, 235¼-¼c; March, 233¼-¼c. OATS: March, 132¼c; May, 135c; July, 134¼c; Sept, 135¼c; Dec, 142c.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank	6½%
Barclays Bank	6½%
Consolidated Crdts	6½%
First London Secs	6½%
C. Hoare & Co	*6½%
Lloyds Bank	6½%
London Mercantile	6½%
Midland Bank	6½%
Nat Westminster	6½%
Rossminster Acc's	6½%
TSB	6½%
Williams and Glyn's	6½%

* 7 day deposits on sums of £10,000 and under 3%, up to £25,000 3½%, over £25,000 4¼%.

CHARTER CONSOLIDATED (NORTH SEA EXPLORATIONS) LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to section 293 of the Companies Act, 1948, that a Meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at 40 Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1P 1AJ, on Friday, 24th February, 1978, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said Act.—Dated 1st February, 1978.

By order of the Board of Directors for CHARTER CONSOLIDATED LIMITED Secretaries M. J. C. Milton

M. J. H. Nightingale & Co. Limited
62-63 Threadneedle Street London EC2R 8HP Tel. 01-638 8651
The Over-the-Counter Market

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Last Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div (p)	Yld %	P/E
44	27	Airsprung Ord	41	—	4.2	10.3	7.6
150	106	Airsprung 18½% CULS	139	—	18.4	13.0	—
39	25	Armitage & Rhodes	38	—	3.3	8.7	16.2
146	105	Bardon Hill	146	—	12.0	8.2	10.0
103	51	Deborah Ord	103	—	5.1	5.0	8.3
216	108	Deborah 17½% CULS	213	—	17.5	8.2	—
147	120	Frederick Parker	136	—	11.5	8.5	6.6
58	36	Jackson Group	51	—	5.0	9.8	6.0
114	55	James Burrough	109	—	6.0	5.5	10.0
340	188	Robert Jenkins	320	—	27.0	8.4	5.4
24	9	Twinlock Ord	16½	—	—	—	—
80	54	Twinlock 12% ULS	80	—	12.0	15.0	—
77	51	Unilock Holdings	77	—	7.0	9.1	9.6
90	67	Walter Alexander	90xd	—	6.4	7.1	6.6

Raeburn Investment Trust Limited

Year ended 30th November	1977	1976
Value of assets	£49,758,017	£42,825,272
Gross revenue	£2,425,359	£2,199,729
Per 25p Stock unit:—		
Net asset value	161.2p	135.1p
Earnings	4.20p	3.69p
Dividend	3.70p	3.35p

The Chairman, Mr. D. Meinertzhagen, comments:

The recovery of sterling and the strong performance of the London stock market in relation to overseas markets have had a major influence on Raeburn's performance in the year ended 30th November, 1977. The result of these developments, having regard to the Company's large overseas portfolio, has been that Raeburn's assets rose by 16.19 per cent. as compared with a rise of 61.63 per cent. in the F.T. Actuaries All-share Index. Thus the large overseas exposure which was so beneficial in 1976 proved, in 1977 at least, to be a disadvantage.

Notwithstanding dilution of some of the benefit of the increased dividends paid by many U.S. companies (as a result of the dollar's weakness against sterling) the Company's revenue available to ordinary stockholders increased from £973,583 to £1,107,059. As we had hoped, our franked income increased satisfactorily and we look forward to the ending of dividend restraint in July this year and further dividend increases from the U.K. portion of the portfolio.

Copies of the Report and Accounts are available from the Secretaries, Lazard Brothers & Co. Limited, 21 Moorfields, London EC2P 2HT.

Foreign Exchange

Quiet trading prevailed throughout the session yesterday with the dollar able to make a little headway at he expense of other major currencies. Sterling was subdued with sentiment disturbed a little by the current uncertain background of labour-industry relations. Dealers reported some light overseas selling at the outset which saw the pound down to $1.9470 but thereafter the rate against the dollar held comparatively steady. At the close the pound ended 15 points lower at $1.9485. The trade-weighted index was unchanged at 66.5 throughout.

The dollar gained some encouragement from the United States Treasury Secretary's optimism about the United States trade deficit. Deutsche marks ended at 2.1140 compared with 2.1090, while Swiss francs eased to 1.9845 (1.9780), along with French francs at 4.7725 (4.7360), and Dutch guilders 2.2635 (2.2575). The Belgian franc retreated at 32.72 from 32.65 after the 1 per cent cut in that country's bank rate. The yen was unchanged on the day at 241.60.

Gold gained $0.25 an ounce to close in London at $176.125.

Spot Position of Sterling

	Market rates (day's range) February 1	Market rates (close) February 1
New York	$1.9470-9505	$1.9480-9490
Montreal	$2.1655-1605	$2.1585-1595
Amsterdam	4.40-42fl	4.40¼-41¼fl
Brussels	63.65-90f	63.70-80f
Copenhagen	11.13-17k	11.15¼-16¼k
Frankfurt	4.10¼-12¼m	4.11¼-12¼m
Lisbon	77.90-78.40e	78.05-25e
Madrid	156.85-157.20p	157.10-20p
Milan	1688-91lr	1689-90lr
Oslo	9.99¼-10.02¼k	10.01¼-02¼k
Paris	9.23-31f	9.29-30f
Stockholm	9.06-09k	9.08-09k
Tokyo	465-75y	470-72y
Vienna	29.45-65sch	29.50-60sch
Zurich	3.85¼-88f	3.86¼-87¼f

Effective exchange rate compared to December 21, was unchanged at 66.5.

Forward Levels

	1 month	3 months
New York	.03-.13c disc	.18-.28c disc
Montreal	.03-.12c disc	.17-.27c disc
Amsterdam	1c prem-par	2¼-1¼c prem
Brussels	par-10c disc	5-15c disc
Copenhagen	7¼-9¼ore disc	24-26ore disc
Frankfurt	1¼-¼pf prem	4¼-3¼pf prem
Lisbon	25-110c disc	430-640c disc
Madrid	60-140c disc	290-370c disc
Milan	8-16lr disc	33-41lr disc
Oslo	6-7ore disc	18-20ore disc
Paris	4¼-5¼c disc	16-17c disc
Stockholm	3-5ore disc	11¼-13¼ore disc
Vienna	2-12gro disc	10-30gro disc
Zurich	2¼-1¼c prem	5¼-4¼c prem

Canadian dollar rate (against US dollar), $0.9022-25.

Eurodollar deposits (%) calls, 6¼-7; seven days, 6¼-7; one month, 7-7¼; three months, 7¼-7¼; six months, 7¼-7¼.

Gold

Gold fixed: am, $176.6 (an ounce); pm, $176.4.
Krugerrand (per coin): non-resident, $181¼-183¼ ($183¼-184¼); resident, $190-192 ($191¼-193¼).
Sovereigns (new): non-resident, $55¼-57¼ ($56¼-58¼); resident, $55¼-57¼ ($56¼-58¼).

Discount market

The discount houses had a comfortable day yesterday. Credit ran to surplus, but the authorities did not operate, so some excess funds were left in to be carried forward as above-target balances by the banks into today. Meanwhile, houses were able to take on cheaper money than of late.

Interbank rates opened in the 6¼-⅝ per cent area, but discount houses immediately found that they were able to pick up reserve asset money from the banks rather more cheaply than that. Some houses, in fact, did not pay above 6¼ per cent, while day-to-day money was soon coming pretty readily at 6 per cent.

Before the finish, rates had dropped to 3½ per cent in places, and books were mostly balanced in the range of 3½ per cent to 4½ per cent at the close.

Factors in the market's favour included bank balances brought over a long way above target from Tuesday and a slight fall in the note circulation. These outweighed the drain via repayments of overnight MLR borrowings and the excess of revenue intake over Exchequer disbursements.

Money Market Rates

Bank of England Minimum Lending Rate 6½% (Last changed 6.1.78)
Clearing Banks Base Rate 6½%
Discount Mkt Loans%
Overnight: High 6 Low 4½
Week Fixed: 6-6¼

Treasury Bills (Dis%)

Buying		Selling	
2 months	5¾	2 months	5¼
3 months	5¼	3 months	5¼

Prime Bank Bills (Dis%) Trades (Dis%)

2 months	6¼-6¼	3 months	6½
3 months	6¼-6	4 months	6½
4 months	6¼-6	6 months	6½
6 months	6¼-6¼		

Local Authority Bonds

1 month	6¼-6¼	7 months	6¼-6¼
2 months	6¼-6¼	8 months	6¼-6¼
3 months	6¼-6¼	9 months	7¼-7
4 months	6¼-6¼	10 months	7¼-7
5 months	6¼-6¼	11 months	7¼-7
6 months	6¼-6¼	12 months	7¼-7¼

Secondary Mkt. ECD Rates(%)

1 month	6¼-6¼	6 months	6¼-6¼
3 months	6¼-6¼	12 months	7¼-7¼

Local Authority Market (%)

2 days	6¼-6	3 months	6¼
7 days	6¼-6¼	6 months	6¼
1 month	6¼	1 year	7¼

Interbank Market (%)

Overnight: Open 6¼		Close 6-3¼	
1 week	6¼-6¼	6 months	6¼-6¼
1 month	6¼-6¼	9 months	7¼-7¼
3 months	6¼-6¼	12 months	7¼-7¼

First Class Finance Houses (Mkt. Rate%)

3 months	7	6 months	7¼

Finance House Base Rate 7½%

Eurosyndicat

The Eurosyndicat Index on European share prices was put provisionally at 118.77 on January 31 against 119.32 a week earlier.

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds

Authorized Unit Trusts

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
Abbey Unit Trust Managers.					
Albes Trust Managers Ltd					
Allied Hambro Group.					
Arbuthnot Securities Ltd.					
Barclays Unicorn Ltd.					
Bridge Fund Managers Ltd					
Britannia Trust Management Ltd					
The British Life					
Brown Shipley Unit Fund Managers					
Canada Life Unit Trust Managers					
Capel (James) Management Ltd.					
Cariiol Unit Fund Managers Ltd.					
Charities Charities Narrower-Range Fund.					
Charities Official Investment Fund.					
Charterhouse Japhet Unit Management Ltd.					
Chieftain Trust Managers Ltd.					
Crescent Unit Trust Managers Ltd.					
Equitas Securities Ltd.					
Equity & Law Unit Trust Managers Ltd.					
Framlington Unit Trust Management Ltd.					
Friends Provident Unit Trust Managers Ltd.					
Funds in Court.					
Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2.				01-405 4300	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital*	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Gross Income*	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	61.0	High Yield*	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
G and A Unit Trust Managers Ltd.					
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex.				0277 227300	
[illegible]	[illegible]	G & A	30.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
G.T. Unit Managers Ltd.					
16 Finsbury Circus, EC2M 7DD.				01-628 [illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	G.T. Cap	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
100.5	[illegible]	Do Accum	94.4	100.4	[illegible]
169.3	119.5	Do Income	159.4	169.5	[illegible]
125.0	[illegible]	Do US Gen Fnd	125.5	135.1	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Japan Gen	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Pension Ex	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	48.7	Four Yards Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
110.0	105.4	International	104.4	111.0	2.50
Gartmore Fund Managers.					
2 St Mary Axe, EC3A 8BP.				01-283 3531	
[illegible]	[illegible]	American Tst	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
52.5	35.0	British Tst	49.7	53.4	3.44
145.4	115.2	Commodity	130.9	140.7	[illegible]
[illegible]	24.0	Far Eastern	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
57.9	39.0	High Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	45.0	Income	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	Ins Agencies	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	International	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
89.4	78.0	Int Exempt	81.8	88.1	5.67
Grieveson Management Co Ltd.					
59 Gresham St, EC2P 2DS.				01-606 4433	
219.3	160.6	Barrington Fnd	193.4	202.6	4.48
[illegible]	166.2	Do Accum	209.7	218.6	4.48
[illegible]	113.8	High Yield	176.3	184.7	6.81
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	195.0	207.4	6.81
[illegible]	[illegible]	Endeavour	155.0	162.3	2.73
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	160.1	167.6	2.73
97.9	79.3	Grantchester (5)	75.1	79.3	3.01
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	79.0	82.7	3.01
[illegible]	64.3	Ldn & Brussels	67.9	70.9	1.40
70.4	63.3	Do Accum	70.4	73.4	1.40
Guardian Royal Exchange Unit Man Ltd.					
Royal Exchange, London, EC3.				01-691 1031	
92.7	66.7	Guardhill	84.1	87.1	4.42
Henderson Administration.					
5 Rayleigh Rd, Hutton, Essex.				0277 227300	
11 Austin Friars, London, EC2N 2ED					
33.0	26.1	Aust Trst	27.0	28.9	1.96
74.6	62.9	Cabot	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
54.6	50.0	Do Extra Inc.	53.7	55.5	9.25
44.0	37.8	Cap Growth Inc	40.0	43.0	3.74
40.9	43.0	Do Accum	40.0	43.0	[illegible]
[illegible]	29.3	European	31.6	33.6	[illegible]
63.4	58.0	Far East Trst	57.1	61.4	2.34
[illegible]	25	Financial ITU	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
113.2	103.7	Henderson Gr	101.6	108.8	2.44
68.6	37.7	High Income	55.9	59.3	8.03
33.0	22.6	Inc & Assets	30.8	32.8	5.96
27.3	24.6	International	24.7	26.3	[illegible]
41.5	33.1	Nth American	31.4	33.9	1.27
29.3	23.3	Oil & Nat Res	23.6	25.1	2.57
82.4	54.0	World Wide	74.6	79.8	4.00
Hill Samuel Unit Trust Managers Ltd.					
45 Beech St, EC2 P2OX.				01-628 8011	
74.2	67.4	Dollar	63.8	69.3	2.25
35.9	33.4	International	31.9	34.5	3.34
163.1	131.2	British Tst	143.6	153.6	5.35
163.1	121.2	Do Guernsey	143.6	153.6	3.55
31.7	23.0	Capital	27.8	29.8	4.62
100.2	74.3	Financial Tst	89.2	94.4	4.60
29.0	21.2	Income Tst	25.8	27.6	7.70
30.4	20.6	High Yield	28.7	30.7	8.03
55.7	41.4	Security Tst	50.0	53.5	5.15
Key Fund Managers.					
25 Milk St, EC2V 8JE.				01-606 7070	
69.3	49.1	Equity & Gen.	63.8	67.8	5.05
80.6	57.7	Energy Ind Fnd	69.4	73.8	2.59
140.4	82.7	Exempt Fnd (36)	140.4	149.4	6.50
79.9	82.3	Inc Fnd	77.5	82.4	8.18
61.5	52.5	Key Fixed Int	61.5	65.4	11.51
87.1	54.5	Smaller Co Fnd	86.3	91.8	6.64
Kleinwort Benson Unit Managers					
20 Fenchurch Street EC3				01-623 8000	
87.2	58.8	KB Unit Fd Inc	81.4	90.3	4.63
106.7	69.4	KB Unit Fd Acc	102.1	110.6	4.63
Lawson Securities.					
63 George Street, Edinburgh.				031-226 3911	
26.1	21.4	American Fnd	20.0	21.6	0.77
26.5	22.3	Do Accum	20.7	22.4	0.77
37.7	24.8	Gilt&Warrant	33.7	37.4	3.52
49.8	38.1	High Yield Fnd	48.6	51.1	10.30
67.4	47.6	Do Accum	67.4	73.3	10.30
35.8	23.5	Raw Materials	34.3	37.1	7.23
39.0	28.1	Do Accum	37.6	42.0	7.23
66.0	49.4	Growth	54.5	59.3	3.11
61.1	52.5	Do Accum	59.4	64.6	3.11
Legal & General Tyndall Fund.					
18 Canynge Rd, Bristol.				0272 32241	
58.4	46.6	Distribution (40)	56.2	59.4	4.92
72.6	45.8	Do Accum (40)	69.6	73.6	4.92
Lloyds Bank Unit Trust Managers.					
71 Lombard St, London, EC3.				01-623 1288	
53.1	39.5	1st Balanced	48.3	51.9	4.35
70.8	51.8	Do Accum	65.4	70.3	4.35
50.6	43.6	2nd Capital	46.0	49.4	3.65
62.3	52.9	Do Accum	57.1	61.3	3.65
65.7	63.7	3rd Income	78.2	84.0	6.17
111.2	81.8	Do Accum	104.9	112.7	6.17
61.1	44.1	4th Extra Inc	57.7	62.0	7.56
65.6	46.4	Do Accum	64.0	68.8	7.56
Local Authorities Mutual Investment Trust.					
77 London Wall, EC2N 1DB.				01-588 1815	
89.7	64.2	Narrower Range*	..	89.7	10.39
192.4	161.3	Wider Range*	..	185.5	5.10
102.0	90.1	Property*	..	102.0	7.01
M & G Securities.					
Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ.				01-626 4588	
46.2	40.0	Amer & Gen Inc	37.3	40.4	0.96
44.2	39.0	Australasian Inc	39.3	42.3	2.95
64.6	54.0	Commod & Gen	61.5	66.1	5.18
68.3	54.4	Do Accum	66.2	71.2	5.18
101.2	73.0	Compound	95.2	102.3	4.01
60.9	47.8	Conversion Tst	47.3	50.8	4.29
153.9	105.0	Charifund (2)	143.3	145.5	7.64
178.1	115.2	Do Accum (2)	171.2	173.8	7.64
118.7	78.8	Div Fnd	110.5	117.7	7.98
Midland Bank Group Unit Trust Managers Ltd.					
Courtwood Hse, Sheffield, S13 RD.				0742-79842	
National & Commercial.				031-556 9151	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Income	142.8	149.0	6.02
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	192.0	199.2	6.02
[illegible]	[illegible]	Capital	121.4	125.8	3.36
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	146.8	152.2	3.36
National Provident Inv Managers Ltd.				01-623 4200	
National Westminster Unit Trust Managers.				01-537 8044	
N.E.L. Trust Managers Ltd.				0306 5911	
Norwich Union Insurance Group.				0603 22200	
[illegible]	[illegible]	Group Tst Fnd	337.3	355.1	4.36
For Oceanic Group see Brown Shipley.					
Pearl Unit Trust Managers Ltd.				01-405 5441	
Pelican Unit Administration.				061-236 5685	
Perpetual Unit Trust Management.					
Practical Investment Co Ltd.				01-623 8893	
Provincial Life Investment Co Ltd.				01-247 6533	
Prudential Unit Trust Managers.				01-405 9222	
Reliance Unit Managers Ltd.				0892 22271	
Rothschild Asset Managers.				0296 5941	
Save & Prosper Group.				01-595 1717	
4 Great St. Helen's, EC3P 3EP.					
68-73 Queen St, Edinburgh. EH2 4NX					
Save & Prosper Securities Ltd.					
Scotbits Securities Ltd.					
Schlesinger Trust Managers.				0306 86441	
J. Henry Schroder Wagg & Co. Ltd.					
120 Cheapside, London, EC2.				01-240 3434	
Scottish Equitable Fund Managers Ltd.				031-556 9101	
Stewart Unit Trust Managers Ltd.					
Sun Alliance Fund Management Ltd.				0403 64141	
Target Trust Managers Ltd.					
Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks.				0296 5941	
Target Trust Managers (Scotland) Ltd.					
19 Athol Crescent, Edinburgh, 3.				031-229 8621	
56.6	21.5	Eagle	21.8	23.6	1.90
43.7	33.3	Thistle	38.5	41.4	6.05
61.0	46.0	Extra Income	60.4	64.8	9.80
TSB Unit Trusts.					
21 Chantry Way, Andover, Hants.				Andover 62188	
46.2	34.2	General	41.9	44.9	3.84
57.8	41.7	Do Accum	53.1	56.8	3.84
62.4	50.2	Income	57.9	61.8	7.33
52.4	50.2	Do Accum	58.9	62.7	7.33
79.0	66.3	Scottish	71.4	76.0	2.84
83.0	69.8	Do Accum	75.7	80.6	2.84
Transatlantic & General Securities.					
99 New London Rd, Chelmsford.				0245 51651	
79.3	57.5	Barbican (4)	76.8	81.3	5.82
118.1	82.2	Do Accum	115.8	122.6	5.82
85.9	73.5	Buckingham (4)	78.6	60.8	4.05
100.7	86.5	Do Accum	93.3	98.3	4.05
127.4	94.2	Colemco	119.9	126.6	5.10
151.2	107.6	Do Accum	142.4	150.3	5.10
60.0	46.0	Cumberland Fnd	51.5	54.7	6.63
62.7	46.5	Do Accum	55.0	58.4	6.63
53.2	40.5	Glen Fund (2)	51.0	54.3	5.92
66.1	49.3	Do Accum	64.2	68.5	5.92
51.4	44.1	Marlborough	45.8	48.1	2.50
57.4	54.0	Do Accum	51.7	54.2	2.50
53.4	37.2	Vang Growth (2)	46.7	49.2	3.30
53.8	45.2	Do Accum	56.9	59.9	3.30
71.8	36.0	Vang High Yield	68.5	72.2	7.58
46.6	44.7	Vang Trustee	42.5	41.7	6.19
46.6	44.9	Do Accum	43.2	45.1	6.19
62.5	47.6	Wickmoor	58.7	62.2	5.08
72.1	52.4	Do Accum	69.6	73.8	5.08
70.5	41.4	Do Dividend	66.3	69.5	8.29
76.1	49.2	Do Div Acc	73.1	76.6	8.29
See also Grieveson Management Co Ltd					
Tyndall Managers Ltd.					
18 Canynge Rd, Bristol.				0272 32241	
104.8	75.4	Income (3)	95.6	100.4	7.70
137.4	126.6	Do Accum (3)	169.4	178.0	7.70
121.8	92.2	Capital (3)	115.8	121.6	4.34
171.2	124.2	Do Accum (3)	160.6	168.6	4.34
100.2	70.6	Canynge Fnd (3)	93.8	97.6	5.68
122.0	85.0	Do Accum (3)	114.2	120.0	5.66
113.4	75.8	Exempt (40)	110.2	115.8	7.43
154.4	100.0	Do Accum (40)	152.0	159.6	7.43
226.2	190.4	Int Earn Fnd (3)	226.6	238.0	4.46
275.4	203.4	Do Accum (3)	250.8	263.4	4.46
140.4	92.4	Scot Cap (3)	130.0	136.6	5.09
152.0	83.6	Do Accum (3)	152.0	159.6	5.09
161.2	96.2	Scot Inc (3)	152.8	160.6	8.94
London Wall Group.					
81.8	41.0	Capital Growth	75.8	81.1	6.21
42.3	22.3	Extra Income	35.9	38.6	9.73
41.0	33.1	Do Accum	40.0	43.0	9.73
17.3	8.5	Fin Priority	16.2	17.4	4.86
23.1	10.9	Do Accum	19.6	21.1	4.86
62.5	33.7	H Inc Priority	58.9	63.3	8.23
29.3	24.6	International	25.5	27.4	3.18
29.9	14.3	Special Sits	28.5	30.4	5.00
Unit Trust Account & Management.					
5-8 Mincing Lane, EC3M.				01-623 4951	
150.0	100.0	Friars Hse Fnd	144.0	152.0	4.47
[illegible]	24.0	Gt Winchester	18.1	19.7	7.72
18.7	17.0	Do Overseas	18.6	20.3	5.38
Abbey Unit Trust Managers (cont.)					
[illegible]	[illegible]	Do Accum	204.8	218.2	7.92
[illegible]	[illegible]	Equity & Gen Inc	45.4	48.6	2.94
[illegible]	[illegible]	General Tst	163.4	164.9	5.96
225.8	174.7	Do Accum	255.8	274.1	6.51

Insurance Bonds and Funds

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
Abbey Life Assurance Co. Ltd.					
1-3 St. Pauls Churchyard, EC4P 4DX				01-248 9111	
36.8	29.3	Equity Fund (3)	33.7	35.5	..
30.7	28.3	Do Accum (3)	28.4	29.9	..
138.7	125.8	Prop Fund (27)	138.7	146.0	..
144.5	130.0	Do Accum (27)	144.5	152.2	..
85.9	79.4	Select Fund (3)	82.5	86.9	..
127.9	124.1	Conv Fund	127.9	134.7	..
119.9	116.8	Money Fund	118.9	125.2	..
162.0	143.0	Pension Prop (27)	162.0	170.6	..
153.2	77.6	Do Equity	148.4	156.3	..
78.3	65.3	Do Select (3)	77.7	81.8	..
131.7	123.9	Do Security	131.7	138.7	..
167.1	135.7	Do Managed	166.1	174.9	..
33.3	22.8	Equity Series 4	31.6	33.3	..
119.6	108.4	Prop Series 4	119.6	125.9	..
109.3	106.2	Conv Series 4	109.3	115.1	..
107.4	105.7	Money Series 4	107.4	113.1	..
128.9	104.2	Man Series 4	126.2	132.9	..
Albany Life Assurance Co Ltd.					
31 Old Burlington Street, W1.				01-437 5962	
AMEV Life Assurance Ltd.					
Alma Hse, Alma Rd, Reigate.				Reigate 40101	
123.3	108.9	AMEV Man Bnd	126.4	133.2	..
111.8	94.0	Do 'B'	107.2	112.9	..
103.3	100.7	Do Money Fnd	103.2	108.7	..
97.7	100.0	Flexiplan	99.7	104.9	..
102.0	100.0	Man Pen Fnd	100.6	106.4	..
102.3	100.0	Man Pen 'B' Fnd	100.7	106.1	..
Arrow Life Assurance.					
30 Uxbridge Rd, London, W12.				01-749 9111	
97.7	62.2	Sel Market Fnd	97.7	103.2	..
61.5	39.1	Do Capital	61.5	65.1	..
Barclays Life Assurance Co.					
Unicorn Hse, 252 Romford Rd, E7.				01-534 5544	
121.1	99.2	Barclaybonds	116.1	122.3	..
112.6	93.6	Equity 'B' Bond	106.0	111.6	..
119.7	100.0	Gilt Edge 'B' Bnd	113.6	119.6	..
104.0	100.0	Prop 'B' Bond	97.8	102.9	..
107.0	98.5	Man 'B' Bond	102.8	108.3	..
104.6	99.6	Money 'B' Bond	97.1	102.3	..
100.6	97.1	Man Pen Acc	97.7	102.9	..
99.7	96.8	Do Initial	96.1	101.5	..
100.6	97.1	Gilt E Pen Acc	97.7	102.9	..
99.6	96.7	Do Initial	96.5	101.6	..
98.5	100.0	Money Pen Acc	97.4	102.6	..
97.6	100.0	Do Initial	96.3	101.4	..
Beehive Life Assurance.					
71 Lombard St, London, EC3.				01-623 1288	
132.3	102.6	Black Horse Bnd	..	128.5	..
Canada Life Assurance.					
2-6 High St. Potters Bar, Herts.				P Bar 51122	
60.5	46.1	Equity Growth	..	57.1	..
121.0	89.5	Retirement	..	116.5	..
Cannon Assurance Ltd.					
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB.				01-902 8876	
17.00	12.73	Equity Units	£ 15.89	..	..
943.0	852.0	Prop Units	949.0	..	..
11.50	9.58	Eqty Bn.Exec	£ 10.78	11.32	..
12.30	10.85	Prop Bn.Exec	£ 12.80	13.33	..
12.78	10.24	Bal Bn.Exec	£ 12.55	13.26	..
109.3	110.3	Dep Bnd	109.4	115.8	..
174.0	121.0	Equity Acc	183.0	..	..
11.73	9.73	Prop Acc	£ 11.73	..	..
1,540	1,251	Man Acc	1,506	..	..
94.5	91.6	2nd Equity	86.8	91.9	..
98.0	100.0	2nd Prop	98.0	103.7	..
95.7	95.0	2nd Man	93.0	98.4	..
95.5	100.0	2nd Dep	96.5	101.1	..
98.4	96.2	2nd Gilt	93.0	98.4	..
94.5	91.6	2nd Equ Pen Acc	87.4	92.6	..
103.3	100.0	2nd Prp Pen Acc	99.3	105.7	..
94.5	96.7	2nd Man Pen Acc	94.5	100.0	..
95.5	100.0	2nd Dep Pen Acc	95.8	101.4	..
95.8	96.2	2nd Gilt Pen Acc	93.1	98.5	..
38.5	25.5	L & E SIF	36.5	39.0	..
27.3	21.0	L & E SIF 2nd	25.5	27.5	..
City of Westminster Assurance Society.					
6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA.				01-684 9664	
Valuation last working day of month.					
116.0	93.7	1st Units	116.0	121.8	..
53.0	47.5	Prop Units	53.0	55.6	..
City of Westminster Assurance Co.					
6 Whitehorse Rd, Croydon, CR0 2JA.				01-684 9664	
Valuation last working day of month.					
57.0	50.4	West Prop Fund	57.0	60.0	..
167.4	124.3	Managed Fund	166.6	175.3	..
58.1	35.3	Equity Fnd	55.3	58.2	..
68.9	50.8	Farmland Fund	68.9	72.5	..
119.6	118.8	Money Fund	119.6	125.8	..
67.5	50.2	Gilt Fnd	65.1	68.5	..
172.6	135.2	P.U.L.A	172.6	176.0	..
Funds currently closed to new investments.					
36.8	30.1	Speculator	..	31.4	..
193.0	120.7	Performance	..	193.0	..
100.0	100.0	Guarantee	..	100.0	..
Commercial Union Group.					
St Helen's, 1 Undershaft, EC3.				01-283 7500	
54.9	38.5	Variable An Acc	..	52.5	..
18.0	13.3	Do Annuity	..	17.7	..
Cornhill Insurance.					
32 Cornhill, London, EC3.				01-626 5410	
Valuation 15th of month.					
121.0	81.5	Capital Fnd	118.5	..	..
50.5	34.0	GS Special	49.0	..	..
170.5	126.0	Man Grwth (25)	166.5	173.5	..
Crown Life Fund Insurance Co.					
Addiscombe Rd, Croydon.				01-686 4200	
158.5	103.0	Crown Brit Inv	..	154.1	..
Crusader Insurance.					
Bowring Bldgs, Tower Place, EC3.				01-626 8031	
Valuation 1st Tuesday of month.					
65.9	63.0	Crusader Prop	65.9	72.9	..
Drummond Assurance Society.					
13 Nottingham Place, London, W1.				01-487 5882	
32.7	26.2	Fund A	30.6	32.3	..
29.3	26.2	Fund B	28.5	29.9	..
34.7	26.2	Fund C	31.6	33.3	..
31.5	26.2	Fund D	28.5	30.1	..
27.3	26.2	Fund E	27.3	28.8	..
Eagle Star Insurance/Midland Assurance					
1, Threadneedle St, E.C.2				01-588 1212	
55.1	39.5	Eagle/Midland	49.1	50.9	6.02
Equity & Law Life Assurance Society Ltd.					
Amersham Rd, High Wycombe.				0494 33377	
115.8	100.0	Equity Fnd	104.0	109.6	..
102.1	96.5	Property Fnd	102.1	107.4	..
115.5	96.0	Fixed Int Fnd	111.6	117.4	..
97.6	100.0	Guar Dep Fnd	97.6	102.7	..
110.2	100.0	Mixed Fnd	105.1	110.6	..
Fidelity Life Assurance Ltd.					
Surrey Street, Norwich, NR1 3NG.				0603 693241	
27.9	25.2	Flexible Inv	27.1	29.6	..
44.1	40.4	American Grwth	39.2	41.3	..
57.1	51.9	Trust of Trusts	56.9	59.8	..
Grosvenor Life Assurance Co Ltd.					
65 Grosvenor St, London W1.				01-493 1484	
32.8	28.0	Managed Fnd	32.8	34.6	..
102.4	101.4	Do Capital	102.4	107.8	..
Guardian Royal Exchange Assurance Group.					
Royal Exchange, London, EC3.				01-283 7107	
157.4	147.6	Property Bond	157.4	163.3	..
168.2	113.2	Pen Man Bonds	168.2	177.0	..
Hambro Life Assurance.					
7 Old Park Lane, London, W1.				01-499 0031	
123.4	120.7	Fixed Int Fnd	123.4	129.9	..
172.5	122.3	Equity	167.9	176.8	..
137.3	107.4	Managed Cap	133.9	140.9	..
165.6	126.2	Do Accum	164.4	173.1	..
163.3	137.0	Property	154.4	162.6	..
125.1	67.9	Overseas Fnd	113.4	119.4	..
124.2	100.6	Gilt Edged Acc	123.2	129.7	..
136.3	123.1	Pen Fl Cap	128.3	173.0	..
145.3	138.4	Do Accum	145.3	153.0	..
196.9	171.4	Pen Prop Cap	196.9	207.3	..
250.0	209.5	Do Accum	250.0	263.2	..
206.3	136.9	Pen Man Cap	200.8	211.4	..
262.4	197.7	Do Accum	254.9	268.4	..
130.3	104.3	Do Gilt Edge	127.7	134.5	..
144.3	123.4	Do Accum	142.2	156.8	..
100.0	100.0	Pen DAF Cap	100.0	102.0	..
100.0	100.0	Pen DAF Accum	100.0	102.0	..
Hearts of Oak Benefit Society.					
Euston Rd, London, NW1.				01-387 5020	
35.1	34.3	Property Bond	35.1	37.1	..
Hill Samuel Life Assurance Ltd.					
NLA Twr, Addiscombe Rd, Croydon.				01-686 4355	
142.4	133.0	Property Units	142.4	149.6	..
96.4	100.0	Do Series A	96.4	101.5	..
163.1	126.6	Managed Units	153.1	160.1	..
94.6	94.6	Do Series A	89.9	94.7	..
96.6	93.7	Do Series C	88.5	93.2	..
118.4	110.4	Money Units	118.4	124.7	..
95.9	97.8	Do Series A	95.9	101.0	..
96.3	97.5	Fixed Int Ser A	93.5	98.4	..
147.0	105.2	Pens Man Cap	141.2	148.7	..
154.4	110.2	Pens Man Acc	148.5	156.4	..
104.5	101.0	Pens Gtd Cap	104.3	110.0	..
108.8	101.3	Pens Gtd Acc	108.8	114.6	..
Hodge Life Assurance Co Ltd.					
114/116 St Mary St, Cardiff.				42577	
74.3	53.5	Takeover	70.6	74.3	..
23.7	25.0	Hodge Life Eq	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Mortgage Fnd	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Conv High Yld	23.7	25.0	..
23.7	25.0	Overseas Fnd	23.7	25.0	..
Imperial Life Assurance Co of Canada.					
Imperial Life Hse, London Rd, Guildford.				71255	
71.1	54.5	Growth Fnd (5)	70.2	76.3	..
67.2	45.1	Pension Fnd	65.4	71.1	..
Unit Linked Portfolio					
95.1	99.6	Man Fund	94.7	99.7	..
95.0	100.0	Fixed Int Fd	95.0	100.0	..
95.0	100.0	Secure Cap Fd	95.0	100.0	..
97.0	100.0	Equity Fund	95.0	100.0	..
For Individual Life Insurance Co Ltd, see Schroder Life Group.					
Irish Life Assurance.					
11 Finsbury Sq, London, EC2.				01-628 8253	
167.1	155.9	Prop Modules	167.2	176.0	..
181.8	162.1	Do Grwth (31)	181.8	191.4	..
217.4	163.0	Managed Fnd	211.6	222.8	..
71.5	59.6	Blue Chip Fnd	66.7	70.2	5.20
Langham Life Assurance.					
Langham Hse, Holmbrook Dr, NW4.				01-203 5211	
138.9	127.5	Property Bond	138.9	146.2	..
74.3	63.6	WISP (SpecMan)	74.3	78.3	..
63.8	64.1	Langham A Plan	63.8	67.1	..
Legal & General (Unit Assurance) Ltd.					
Kingswood Hse, Kingswood, Tadworth, Surrey, KT20 6EU.				Burgh Heath 53456	
99.2	100.0	Cash Initial	95.1	100.2	..
95.8	100.0	Do Accum	95.8	100.9	..
119.6	100.0	Equity Initial	111.2	117.1	..
119.1	100.0	Do Accum	111.9	117.8	..
114.6	100.0	Fixed Initial	113.5	119.3	..
115.3	100.0	Do Accum	114.0	120.1	..
113.9	100.0	Man Initial	111.0	116.9	..
117.4	100.0	Do Accum	113.3	119.3	..
96.3	100.0	Prop Initial	95.0	100.1	..
95.7	100.0	Do Accum	95.6	100.7	..
Legal and General (Unit Pensions) Ltd.					
95.4	100.0	Ex Cash Init	95.4	100.5	..
95.7	100.0	Do Accum	95.7	100.8	..
99.5	100.0	Ex Equ Init	99.5	104.8	..
99.8	100.0	Do Accum	99.8	105.1	..
97.3	100.0	Ex Fix Init	97.3	102.4	..
97.6	100.0	Do Accum	97.6	102.8	..
99.5	100.0	Ex Man Init	99.5	104.8	..
99.8	100.0	Do Accum	99.8	105.1	..
95.4	100.0	Ex Prop Init	95.4	100.5	..
95.0	100.0	Do Accum	95.0	100.0	..
Lloyds Life Assurance Ltd.					
12 Leadenhall St, EC3M 7LS.				01-623 6621	
131.8	89.2	Mult Grwth Fnd	..	130.1	..
128.5	91.4	Opt 5 Equity	121.1	127.5	..
132.4	118.4	Do Property	122.4	128.9	..
160.2	121.4	Do High Yield	160.1	168.7	..
129.0	118.7	Do Managed	122.4	128.8	..
119.7	118.3	Do Deposit	119.7	126.1	..
138.0	131.5	Pen Dep Fnd	138.0	145.3	..
287.2	183.5	Do Equity Fnd	264.8	278.8	..
193.5	143.7	Do Fl Fnd	191.9	202.0	..
204.3	149.3	Do Man Fnd	201.6	212.3	..
132.0	127.5	Do Prop Fnd	132.0	139.0	..
The London & Manchester Group.					
The Leas, Folkestone, Kent.				0303 57333	
215.8	124.7	Capital Growth	..	218.3	..
111.1	71.3	Flexible Fnd	..	108.4	..
135.4	78.7	Inv Fnd	..	127.8	..
80.1	59.9	Prop Fnd	..	80.1	..
Manufacturers Life Insurance.					
Manulife Hse, Stevenage, Herts.				0438 56101	
53.6	31.5	Manulife (5)	40.7	42.7	..
Merchant Investors Assurance.					
125 High Street, Croydon.				01-686 9171	
126.8	120.1	Conv Dep Bnd	..	126.8	..
136.4	124.7	Do Pension	..	136.4	..
62.7	44.0	Equity Bond	..	58.2	..
180.2	120.9	Do Pension	..	165.0	..
105.3	81.1	Managed Bond	..	105.1	..
133.9	100.9	Do Pension	..	132.7	..
149.3	113.9	Money Market	..	145.0	..
192.1	137.2	Do Pension	..	186.1	..
142.5	118.9	Property Bond	..	142.8	..
147.0	119.9	Do Pension	..	147.0	..
M & G Assurance.					
Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ.				01-626 4588	
129.8	101.5	Equity Bond (4)	129.0	135.5	..
80.8	83.0	Do Bonus	78.2	80.2	..
79.2	50.7	Extra Yld Bond	77.4	81.4	..
108.0	104.1	Gilt Fund	106.9	112.3	..
87.8	84.6	Int'l Bnd (4)	85.1	89.5	..
155.5	99.1	Family Bnd 79/80	154.8	..	..
171.9	122.5	Do 1981/86	170.3	..	..
125.1	115.1	Managed Bonds	123.7	129.9	..
52.9	44.3	Mirror Bonds	..	50.4	..
206.1	132.7	Pers Pen (5)	..	206.1	..
147.8	125.5	Prop Fnd (4)	147.8	155.3	..
50.0	43.7	American Bnd	42.0	44.2	..
50.0	44.3	Japan Bnd	42.8	45.1	..
62.2	49.8	Recovery Bnd	60.4	63.7	..
N.E.L. Pensions Ltd.					
Milton Court, Dorking, Surrey.				0306 5911	
84.7	77.4	Nelex Eq Cap	80.0	84.2	..
117.8	88.0	Do Accum	106.4	112.0	..
47.5	50.0	Do G I Cap	47.5	50.0	..
47.5	50.0	Do G I Acc	47.5	50.0	..
62.7	55.3	Do Money Cap	62.7	65.9	..
65.1	50.4	Do Money Acc	65.1	68.5	..
Norwich Union Insurance Group.					
PO Box 4, Norwich, NR1 3NG.				0603 22200	
219.7	150.1	Norwich Man	206.2	217.0	..
339.2	209.6	Do Equity	322.6	339.6	..
120.7	113.9	Do Property	120.7	127.0	..
164.9	119.4	Do Fixed Int	159.6	168.0	..
101.9	102.1	Do Deposit	101.9	107.2	..
205.1	103.8	Do Units (35)	..	205.3	..
Pearl Assurance (Unit Funds) Ltd.					
252 High Holborn, WC1V 7EB.				01-405 8441	
111.1	99.8	Equity Fnd	111.1	117.0	..
112.6	100.0	Managed Fnd	112.2	118.2	..
121.2	112.2	Prop Acc Units	121.2	127.6	..
111.2	107.5	Prop Dist Units	111.2	117.1	..
Phoenix Assurance.					
4-5 King William St, EC4.				01-626 9876	
109.2	84.5	Wealth Assured	101.8	107.3	..
72.1	51.9	Ebor Ph'x Ass (31)	..	70.6	..
71.6	56.4	Ebor Ph'x Eq (32)	70.7	74.2	..
Property Equity & Life Ass Co.					
119 Crawford St, London, W1.				01-486 0857	
169.3	148.3	R Silk Prop Bnd	..	169.3	..
72.3	70.0	Do Bal Ag Bnd	..	72.3	..
107.5	102.8	Do Series (2)	..	107.2	..
78.5	65.8	Do Managed	..	78.5	..
77.2	55.7	Do Equity Bnd	..	72.7	..
157.1	120.8	Do Flex Mny	..	154.0	..
Property Growth Assurance.					
Leon Hse, Croydon, CR0 1LU.				01-680 0606	
170.0	145.7	Prop Grwth (29)	..	170.0	..
168.9	145.6	Do (A)	..	168.9	..
685.1	554.9	AG Bond (29)	..	685.1	..
680.6	563.5	Do (A)	..	680.6	..
148.2	135.6	Abb Nat PG (29)	..	148.2	..
148.1	138.5	Do (A)	..	148.1	..
67.2	53.7	Investment (29)	..	65.6	..
67.0	53.6	Do (A)	..	64.7	..
184.2	126.2	Equity Fnd	..	184.4	..
177.4	126.0	Do (A)	..	183.8	..
136.6	124.1	Money Fnd	..	136.6	..
136.0	120.0	Do (A)	..	136.0	..
105.8	101.8	Actuarial Fund	..	105.8	..
125.7	103.2	Gilt Edged	..	123.6	..
125.7	103.9	Do A	..	125.6	..
170.3	147.6	Ret Annuity (29)	..	170.3	..
137.0	112.5	Immed Ann (33)	..	137.0	..
Property Growth Pensions & Annuities Ltd.					
134.7	93.4	All-Weather Ac	129.4	136.7	..
124.4	90.1	Do Capital	129.4	131.0	..
143.2	99.1	Investment Fnd	..	138.0	..
135.4	113.2	Pension Fnd	..	135.4	..
Prudential Pensions Ltd.					
Holborn Bars, EC1N 2NH.				01-405 9222	
24.99	14.87	Equity	£ 23.67	24.61	..
19.59	18.15	Fixed Int	£ 19.30	20.00	..
23.83	18.87	Property	£ 23.83	24.59	..
Reliance Mutual Insurance Society					
Tunbridge Wells, Kent.					
192.2	164.0	Rel Prop Bnd	..	[illegible]	..
Save & Prosper Group.					
4 Great St Helen's, EC3P 3EP.					
117.7	107.4	Balanced Bond	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
124.1	104.0	Gilt Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
145.9	122.4	Prop Fnd (38)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Schroder Life Group.					
Enterprise House, Portsmouth.					
120.5	105.7	Equity (2)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
147.7	123.1	Fixed Int (2)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
156.6	136.6	Fixed Int 3 (2)	153.0	[illegible]	..
113.3	114.4	Int UT (2)	111.1	[illegible]	..
134.3	112.6	K & S Gilt Sec (2)	134.3	[illegible]	..
133.6	105.7	Managed 3 (2)	132.8	[illegible]	..
113.9	111.1	Deposit Bnd (2)	112.0	[illegible]	..
247.6	[illegible]	Property Fnd (2)	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
145.4	[illegible]	Property 3 (2)	145.4	[illegible]	..
117.9	109.9	B S Pen Cap (2)	117.9	[illegible]	..
187.7	149.2	Man Pen Cap (2)	183.2	[illegible]	..
229.1	168.4	Man Pen Acc (2)	221.6	[illegible]	..
Scottish Widows Fund & Life Assurance					
PO Box 902, Edinburgh, EH16 5BU					
102.5	77.3	Inv Policy	97.6	[illegible]	..
100.2	77.2	Do Series (2)	91.2	[illegible]	..
Solar Life Assurance Limited.					
107 Cheapside, London, EC2 8DU.					
129.0	100.0	Solar Managed s	125.0	[illegible]	..
104.7	100.0	Do Property s	104.7	[illegible]	..
159.6	99.5	Do Equity s	150.5	[illegible]	..
122.4	100.0	Do Fixed Int s	119.6	[illegible]	..
95.8	100.0	Do Cash s	95.3	[illegible]	..
127.9	100.0	Solar Managed p	124.5	[illegible]	..
104.5	100.0	Do Property p	104.5	[illegible]	..
159.6	99.7	Do Equity p	150.3	[illegible]	..
122.3	100.0	Do Fixed Int p	119.4	[illegible]	..
95.7	100.0	Do Cash p	95.7	[illegible]	..
Standard Life Assurance Co.					
PO Box 62, 3 George St, Edinburgh.					
111.6	81.5	Unit Endowm't	..	[illegible]	..
Sun Alliance Fund Management Ltd.					
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex.					
139.40	115.50	Ex Fix Int (36)	£150.40	[illegible]	..
13.00	9.99	Int Bond	£	[illegible]	..
Sun Alliance Linked Life Insurance Ltd.					
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex.					
101.4	100.0	Equity Fund	93.3	[illegible]	..
100.0	100.0	Fixed Int Fund	100.0	[illegible]	..
92.0	100.0	Property Fund	90.0	[illegible]	..
95.0	95.2	Int Fund	95.2	[illegible]	..
95.2	100.0	Deposit Fund	95.2	[illegible]	..
96.8	98.7	Managed Fund	96.5	[illegible]	..
Sun Life of Canada (UK) Ltd.					
2-4 Cockspur St, SW1.					
139.4	102.4	Managed (5)	..	[illegible]	..
210.3	132.3	Growth (5)	..	[illegible]	..
133.1	98.6	Equity (5)	..	[illegible]	..
205.3	142.7	Personal Pen (2)	..	[illegible]	..
Target Life Assurance.					
Target Hse, Aylesbury, Bucks.					
101.2	100.0	Deposit Inc	97.0	[illegible]	..
114.5	105.7	Fixed Interest	108.3	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	[illegible]	Man Fnd Acc	111.8	[illegible]	..
100.2	90.6	Do Income	94.8	[illegible]	..
89.0	83.0	Prop Bnd Inc	..	[illegible]	..
102.6	68.3	Do Income	102.6	[illegible]	..
120.0	100.1	Do Accum	..	[illegible]	..
63.3	48.3	Ret Ann Pen Cap	59.2	[illegible]	..
75.1	56.9	Do Accum	..	[illegible]	..
135.1	105.4	Ret Plan Acc	129.1	[illegible]	..
125.6	102.7	Do Do Cap	112.1	[illegible]	..
142.3	95.6	Gilt Pen Acc	137.0	[illegible]	..
140.8	95.0	Gilt Pen Cap	131.4	[illegible]	..
Trident Life.					
Renslade Hse, Gloucester.					
121.8	109.9	Trident Man	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
128.3	128.0	Do Guar Man	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
149.3	138.8	Do Property	142.3	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	79.9	Do Equity/Am	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
112.5	99.5	Do UK Equity	103.3	[illegible]	..
142.6	117.0	Do High Yield	140.4	[illegible]	..
130.00	109.90	Gilt Edged	125.00	[illegible]	..
123.4	123.0	Do Money	120.7	[illegible]	..
122.4	99.2	Do Int Fund	122.2	[illegible]	..
131.8	118.8	Do Fiscal Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
36.0	32.5	Do Bonds	35.7	[illegible]	..
104.5	82.7	Do GI Bonds	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
130.4	96.0	Trident Growth	127.0	[illegible]	..
131.3	95.0	Do Accum	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
117.4	100.0	Pen Man Cap	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
126.1	100.0	Do Accum	118.8	[illegible]	..
100.7	100.0	Do Guar Dep	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
103.4	100.0	Do Accum	103.4	[illegible]	..
114.2	100.0	Do Pen Prop	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
114.2	109.0	Do Accum	114.2	[illegible]	..
Tyndall Assurance.					
18 Canynge Rd, Bristol.					
Vanbrugh Life Assurance Ltd.					
41-43 Maddox St, London, W1R 9LA.					
143.8	117.7	Managed Fnd	139.6	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	159.6	Equity Fnd	218.2	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	142.3	Fixed Int Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	128.3	Property Fnd	125.5	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	115.0	Cash Fund	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
[illegible]	86.4	Internat'l Fnd	83.6	[illegible]	..
Vanbrugh Pensions Limited.					
95.0	100.0	Managed Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
95.0	100.0	Equity Fnd	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
95.0	100.0	Fixed Int Fnd	95.0	[illegible]	..
95.0	100.0	Property Fnd	95.0	[illegible]	..
6.66	6.25	Guar Mgd	[illegible]	[illegible]	..
Welfare Insurance.					
The Leas, Folkestone, Kent.					
102.1	74.6	Money Maker	..	[illegible]	..
See also "The London & Manchester Group."					

Offshore and International Funds

1977/78 High Bid	Low Offer	Trust	Bid	Offer	Yield
Arbuthnot Securities (CI) Ltd.					
PO Box 284, St Helier, Jersey.					
122.9	94.0	Capital Trust	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
114.0	107.0	Eastern Int	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Barbican Managers (Jersey) Ltd.					
PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey.					
57.7	39.7	Europ'n Ster Tst	56.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
Barclays Unicorn International (Ch Is) Ltd.					
1 Charing Cross, St Helier, Jersey.					
55.5	34.9	Jer Guer Over	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.9	10.3	Unidollar Tst	$	[illegible]	[illegible]
Barclays Unicorn International (IOM) Ltd.					
1 Thomas St, Douglas, IOM.					
47.0	39.4	Unicorn Aust Ext	41.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
28.2	22.0	Do Aus Min	23.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
40.5	31.9	Do Int Income	38.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
50.5	42.1	Do Isle of Man	45.2	[illegible]	[illegible]
25.5	23.1	Do Manx Mut	23.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
57.8	45.7	Do Great Pac	55.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
Britannia Trust Managers (CI) Ltd.					
30 Bath St, St Helier, Jersey.					
53.2	35.8	Growth (1)	49.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
61.1	52.5	Int'l Fnd (1)	56.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
159.0	138.3	Jersey En (1)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
53.2	61.2	Worldwide (1)	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5.96	4.86	Univ $ Tst (3)	$	[illegible]	[illegible]
212.0	200.0	Do Sting (3)	210.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Calvin Bullock Ltd.					
50 Bishopsgate, EC2.					
10.53	7.44	Bullock Fnd	$ 7.36	[illegible]	[illegible]
630.0	447.0	Canadian Fnd	410.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
325.0	225.0	Canadian Inv	243.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
254.0	170.0	Div Shares	165.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
9.36	7.05	N.Y.Venture	$	[illegible]	[illegible]
Charterhouse Japhet.					
1 Paternoster Row, EC4.					
31.30	30.00	Adiropa	DM 29.90	[illegible]	[illegible]
47.90	45.50	Adiverba	DM 47.40	[illegible]	[illegible]
32.00	30.50	Fondak	DM 31.30	[illegible]	[illegible]
23.70	20.90	Fondis	DM 22.10	[illegible]	[illegible]
49.03	43.80	Hispano	$ 44.40	[illegible]	[illegible]
van Cutsem & Associates.					
42 Essex St, WC2.					
71.40	64.50	Pan Am O'seas	$	67.6	[illegible]
Cornhill Insurance (Guernsey) Ltd.					
PO Box 157, St Julians Ct, St Peters, Gu					
165.0	138.5	Int Man Fnd (30)	160.9	[illegible]	[illegible]
First General Unit Managers.					
91 Pembroke Rd, Ballsbridge, Dublin 4.					
64.3	46.7	Bnk Ist Gen (3)	63.1	[illegible]	[illegible]
155.3	120.5	Do Gilt (2)	156.0	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gartmore Investment Management Ltd.					
Victory Hse, Prospect Hill, Douglas, IOM.					
22.3	17.4	Int Income (3)	22.3	[illegible]	[illegible]
56.0	45.0	Do Growth (20)	54.5	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hambros (Guernsey) Ltd.					
PO Box 86, St Peter Port, Guernsey.					
152.5	110.9	Channel Isle	136.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hill Samuel (CI) Trust Co Ltd.					
PO Box 63, St Helier, Jersey.					
129.6	73.4	Channel Isle	117.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Keyser Ullman Bermuda Management Ltd.					
Atlas Hse, PO Box 1029, Hamilton 5, Bermuda.					
1.96	1.67	Bishopsgate NA	$ 1.88	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kleinwort Benson Ltd.					
20 Fenchurch Street, EC3					
1,050	865.00	Eurinvest Lux F	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
82.4	55.5	Guernsey Inc	57.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
72.2	65.9	Do Accum	76.4	[illegible]	[illegible]
9.59	6.22	KB Far E	$US	[illegible]	[illegible]
11.37	10.50	KB Int Fd	$US	[illegible]	[illegible]
25.71	23.14	KB Jap Fd	$US	[illegible]	[illegible]
10.71	9.86	KB US Gth	$US	[illegible]	[illegible]
4.56	4.19	Signet Berm	$US	[illegible]	[illegible]
*KB act as London Paying agents only					
20.10	18.50	Unifonds (D.M.)	18.05	19.00	[illegible]
M & G Group.					
Three Quays, Tower Hill, EC3R 6BQ.					
111.8	80.9	Island Fnd	109.1	116.1	[illegible]
154.2	106.5	Do Accum	152.4	162.4	[illegible]
2.55	2.01	Atlantic Exp	$ 2.47	2.76	[illegible]
1.85	1.44	Aust & Gen	$ 1.78	1.97	[illegible]
Neptune International Fund Managers					
1 Charing Cross, St Helier, Jersey.					
28.1	19.7	Int Fund (34)	20.8	21.8	[illegible]
Old Court Commodity Fund Managers Ltd.					
PO Box 58, St Julian's Ct, Guernsey.					
130.6	121.4	Old Ct Comm	122.0	129.7	[illegible]
Old Court Fund Managers Ltd.					
PO Box 58, St Julians Ct, Guernsey.					
51.2	42.5	Old Ct Eqty (34)	48.8	51.1	[illegible]
170.9	101.9	Income Fund	158.9	168.4	[illegible]
100.3	85.0	Do Int (35)	95.2	100.0	[illegible]
143.5	93.4	Do Small Co's	140.4	149.3	[illegible]
Oliver Heath & Co.					
31 Malew St, Castletown, IOM.					
119.5	94.8	Brit Conv Tst	115.7	120.7	[illegible]
81.5	54.0	Cap Sec'd Res	81.3	88.2	[illegible]
97.8	92.4	Manx Ex Fnd	96.5	101.7	[illegible]
4 Irish Place, Gibraltar.					
119.7	115.1	Gib Inv Tst	99.2	120.0	[illegible]
99.0	96.0	Key City Inv	95.5	98.0	[illegible]
64.7	43.7	Warrant Fnd	61.5	68.3	[illegible]
Property Growth Overseas.					
28 Irish Town, Gibraltar.					
102.50	89.91	US Dollar Fnd	$	89.91	[illegible]
128.45	104.40	Sterling Fnd	£	128.45	[illegible]
Save & Prosper International.					
Dealing to: 37 Broad St, St Helier, Jersey.					
Schroder Life Group.					
Enterprise House, Portsmouth.					
International Funds					
Surinvest (Jersey) Ltd.					
PO Box 98, St Helier, Jersey.					
10.23	6.58	Amer Ind Trust	6.56	6.70	[illegible]
13.22	10.01	Copper Trust	9.84	10.06	[illegible]
9.77	6.60	Japan Index Tst	6.41	6.56	[illegible]
Surinvest Trust Managers Ltd.					
50 Athol St, Douglas, IOM.					
112.2	96.8	The Silver Tst	98.2	100.6	[illegible]
Tyndall Group (Bermuda).					
PO Box 1256, Hamilton 5, Bermuda.					
Tyndall Group (Isle of Man).					
Victory House, Douglas, IOM.					
Tyndall Group (Jersey).					
2 New Street, St Helier, Jersey.					

• Ex dividend. * Not available to the general public. † Guernsey gross yield. ‡ Previous day's price. a Ex all. c Dealings suspended. e Ex dividend. f Cash value for £100 premium. g Bonus. k Estimated yield. l Yield before Jersey tax. p Periodic premium. s Single premium. Dealing or valuation days—(1) Monday. (2) Tuesday. (3) Wednesday. (4) Thursday. (5) Friday. (8) Feb 15. (9) Feb 11. (10) Feb 28. (16) Mar 1. (17) Feb 15. (18) Feb 7. (20) 25th of month. (21) 2nd Thursday of month. (22) 1st and 3rd Wednesday of month. (23) 20th of month. (24) 3rd Tuesday of month. (25) 1st and 3rd Thursday of month. (26) 4th Thursday of month. (27) 1st Wednesday of month. (28) Last Thursday of month. (29) 3rd working day of month. (30) 16th of month. (31) 1st working day of month. (32) 20th of month. (33) 1st day of Feb, May, Aug, Nov. (34) Last working day of month. (35) 15th of month. (36) 14th of month. (37) 21st of each month. (38) 3rd Wednesday of month. (39) 2nd Wednesday of month. (40) Valued monthly.

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Stock Exchange Prices

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ACCOUNT DAYS : Dealings Began, Jan 30. Dealings End, Feb 10. § Contango Day, Feb 13. Settlement Day, Feb 21

§ Forward bargains are per mitred on two previous days

H FUNDS

Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only Yield	Gross Red. Yield
Treas 9½ 1978	100½	..	8.098	5.662
Treas 10½ 1978	102⅝	..	10.363	5.203
Exch 9½ 1978-80	99⅝	..	9.819	5.577
Treas 11¾ 1978	104⅜	-⅛	10.991	7.650
Treas 3½ 1979	93¼	..	3.154	6.228
Exch 4¼% 1974-79	95⅝	-⅛	4.416	6.892
Treas 10½ 1979	108¾	-⅛	10.127	8.171
Exch 3½ 1979-81	79½	-⅛	3.690	6.437
Treas Cnv 9½ 1980	101½	-⅛	8.864	8.206
Exch 11¾ 1980	109¾	-⅛	10.707	8.771
Treas 3½% 1977-80	93¾	-⅛	3.726	6.333
Fund 3½% 1978-80	95¼	..	5.541	7.723
Exch 13¾ 1980	108⅛	-⅛	11.988	9.489
Treas 11½ 1981	105	-⅛	10.949	9.501
Treas 3½ 1979-81	80½	-½	3.851	6.885
Treas 9¾% 1981	100¾	-⅛	9.709	9.686
Exch 8¼% 1981	96½	-⅛	8.581	9.509
Exch 9½% 1981	100¾	-⅛	9.434	9.468
Treas 3½% 1979-81	87½	-⅛	3.998	6.964
Exch 12¾% 1981	116¾	-⅛	11.668	9.825
Treas 8¾% 1980-82	97⅜	-⅛	8.749	9.383
Treas 3½% 1982	85½	..	3.723	7.328
Treas 14½% 1982	113⅝	-⅛	12.354	9.976
Treas 9½% 1982	99⅛	-⅛	9.678	9.855
Exch 9¼% 1982	98⅛	-⅛	9.457	9.760
Exch 9¾% 1983	61½	-⅛	3.656	7.353
Treas 12¾% 1983	112⅝	-⅛	11.123	9.989
Exch 9¾% 1983	97⅜	-⅛	9.316	9.933
Fund 3½% 1982-84	87⅜	-⅛	8.284	8.222
Treas 9¾% 1984-86	98⅜	-⅛	9.868	9.456
Fund 3½% 1985-87	69¾	-⅛	7.741	9.118
Treas 7¾% 1985-88	87⅞	-⅛	8.811	9.765
Treas 3½ 1979-85	69¾	-⅛	4.599	9.545
Treas 5½ 1986-89	73⅞	-⅛	7.097	9.010
Treas 13¾ 1990	112⅝	-⅛	11.832	11.197
Treas 3½% 1987-90	57½	-⅛	5.254	9.566
Treas 11¾ 1991	103⅜	-⅛	11.410	11.307
Fund 3½% 1987-91	72¾	-⅛	8.133	9.742
Treas 12¾% 1992	109⅛	-⅛	11.643	11.371
Treas 10¾ 1992	91½	-⅛	10.573	11.156
Exch 12½% 1992	104¾	-⅛	11.612	11.471
Treas 12¾% 1993	107⅜	-⅛	11.867	11.536
Fund 3½% 1991-94	57¾	-⅛	8.880	10.149
Treas 13¾% 1994	113⅝	-⅛	12.098	11.760
Treas 14¼% 1994	119¾	-⅛	12.669	11.674
Exch 12¾% 1994	106	-⅛	11.719	11.560
Treas 9½% 1994	87⅞	-⅛	10.493	10.350
Treas 13¾% 1995	115⅜	-⅛	11.586	11.518
Exch 9¾% 95-98	94⅝	-⅛	9.873	10.345
Treas 12¾% 1995	111⅜	-⅛	11.587	11.634
Treas 3½ 1992-96	58⅜	..	10.615	10.954
Treas 13¾% 1996	119¾	-⅛	12.334	11.891
Exch 12¾% 1996	110⅜	-⅛	11.552	11.515
Treas 3½% 1996-98	49⅛	..	6.355	8.810
Treas 13¾% 1997	112⅜	-⅛	11.832	11.665
Exch 10¾% 1997	93¾	-⅛	11.176	11.262
Treas 8¾% 1997	81⅛	-⅛	10.634	10.854
Treas 9¾% 1997-98	93⅝	-⅛	10.483	10.429
Treas 3½% 1978-98	35¾	..	12.153	11.885
Treas 3½% 1999	88¼	-⅛	10.822	11.082
Fund 3½% 1999-04	40⅜	..	8.631	9.864
Treas 3½% 2002-06	39⅛	..	10.616	10.727
Treas 3½% 2005-09	39⅛	..	10.622	10.519
Treas 2½% 2013-15	27⅜	..	10.569	10.854
Consols 4%	55¾	..	11.195	..
War Ln 3½%	39½	..	9.789	..
Conv 3½%	39¼	..	9.479	..
Funding 4%	54¾	..	11.372	..
Consols 2½%	31¾	..	11.025	..
Treas 2½% Aft '75	27⅛	..	11.353	..

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Aust 5½%	76-78	107⅝	5.522	7.665
Aust 5½%	77-80	94¾	6.154	8.509
Aust 6½%	81-83	87½	8.323	9.793
Aust 6½%	81-83	84¾	7.185	9.795
Aust 7½%	79-81	89¼	7.610	9.516
Chilean† Mtge		30	..	..
E Africa 5½%	57-83	74½	7.550	12.906
German 4½%	1960	360	..	..
Hungary 6½%	1924	40	..	..
Ireland 7½%	81-83	88	..	..
Jamaica 7½%	72-74	79½	3.060	10.707
Japan Ass 6½%	1910	60	..	..
Japan 6%	53-58	84	..	..
Kenya 6%	78-82	76½	6.324	12.551
Malaya 7½%	78-82	84	4.904	13.174
N Z 4½%	61-80	61½	4.389	9.073
N Z 5½%	77-82	79	5.000	11.243
N Z 7½%	77-79	87½	8.568	8.917
S Rhod 6%	60-81	68	6.763	10.532
Trans 6%	78-81	69	6.763	10.532
Peru 4%	1933	15	..	..
S Africa 5½%	79-81	94½	..	..
S Rhd 3½%	65-70	66	..	..
S Rhd 4%	67-82	62	..	..
S Rhd 6%	76-81	90	..	..
Spanish 4%	1928	15	..	..
Tang 5½%	76-82	70	7.238	12.194
Uruguay 3½%		93	..	..

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ACC 3½%	1920	29¾	12.294†	..
ACC 5½%	80-83	83	6.297	9.835
ACC 5½%	77-81	87¾	5.843	8.099
ACC 5½%	83-84	88¾	6.835	9.604
ACC 6½%	85-87	73¾	7.853	10.245
ACC 6½%	78-79	96	6.251	8.885
ACC 12¼%	82-85	114	12.145	10.575
ELEC 6½%	80-82	89¾	5.880	11.029
ELEC 8½%	80-82	97½	8.743	10.168
ELEC 12¾%	1983	109¾	11.849	10.833
ELEC 12¾%	1983	104¾	11.818	11.312
ELEC 3½%	1968	49	6.499	8.563
ELEC 3½%	1971	43½	6.451	10.207
ELEC 3½%	1979-82	49¾	4.984	10.821
ELEC 3½%	1986-89	39½	10.672	11.583
ELEC 3½%	85-90	72	9.535	11.311
ELEC 3½%	87-90	61¾	7.105	10.984
ELEC 3½%	89-92	61	7.144	10.977
ELEC 3½%	77-79	99¾	6.613	8.185
ELEC 3½%	78-81	89	7.571	10.289
ELEC 3½%	77-79	98½	6.599	8.098
ELEC 3½%	80-82	74	5.480	10.186
ELEC 6½%	78-81	100	6.760	9.259
ELEC 12¾%	1981	108¾	12.438	10.517
Water B 3½%	34-03	31	10.025	11.644
3½%	79-80	88½	7.342	13.495
3½%	82-84	83½	8.626	11.994
Elec 6½%	81-83	87½	7.435	10.446
6½%	76-78	100	6.731	8.921
6½%	77-79	97	6.407	8.434
6½%	83-86	81½	8.428	10.255
6½%	78-80	93	6.447	9.701

AND DISCOUNTS

Discount 25%			21.7	8.5
W & Nfds	475	-6	46.5	9.8
ed Irish	140	-2	10.09	9.5
Latham	165	..	14.3	8.7
Grp	245	-4	11.8b	4.7
American	115½	-½	49.0	3.4
of Ireland	265	-5	20.1b	6.8
Lond Invest	139	..	11.2	8.1
Lomi CK 10%	150	..	11.2	6.6
of NSW	365	-5	18.6	4.8
of Scotland	285	-5	14.7	5.1
n Trst 25%	175	-4	14.2	8.1
clays Bank	317	-5	16.4	5.2
wn Shipley	205	..	14.0	6.8
er Ryder	290	-5	20.5	7.1
er Man.	215	..	11.4	5.3
e Discount	71	..	7.7	10.8
k of Asia	182	-2	10.5	5.7
k of S'td	230	-5	14.3	6.2
De Francs	414½	-½	131	8.9
t Nat Fin	53	..	4.1	7.7
er Ans	112	..	7.1	6.3
and & Nat	174	-3	12.4	7.1
5 A.	42	..	3.0	7.1
ner Bros	253	..	23.4	10.0
ckay Higgs	117	..	9.6	8.2
ness Fenl	210	-6	16.2	7.7
bros £10	218	..	144	8.0
Samuel	94	-1	8.7	7.2
K & Strang	243	-2	17.7b	3.2
Toynbee	74	..	6.2	8.4
ph L.	180	..	12.0	6.7
er Gilmann	42	..	3.5	8.2
S Samson	62	..	5.1	8.3
wart Ben	102	-2	3.9	3.7
ds Bank	383	-5	13.2	5.0
ory Secs	121	..	5.1	4.2
ANZ	342	-3	22.4	6.5
ner Assets	58	..	5.3b	9.1
of Aust	186	..	8.7	4.9
Con Bk Grp	78	..	4.0	5.1
Winchester	285	..	16.5	6.2
ana	1368	..	230	6.5
Bros	53	..	2.4	13.5
l of Can	215½	-½	22.6	4.5
oders	420	..	15.7	3.7
mbe Mar	230	..	18.7	8.1
t St Aubyn	75	..	7.3	9.8
lard Chart	407	+2	27.6	6.6
n Discount	440	-5	31.9	7.3
ust	84	..	4.6	7.1

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	82½	-½	6.0b	7.2
Charrgton	140	+1	7.3	5.2
ydn Grp	40	..	..	..
L	218	-2	7.4	3.4
ingtons	140	+2	5.9	4.2
ns	108	..	9.8	5.6
er H. P.	137	+1	4.8	3.6
erwood	151	..	4.8	3.2
an Did	55	..	3.6	6.3
ash	180	+2	8.9	5.0
lers	169	+5	9.9	5.5
ivis, Dist	240	-5	8.0	3.2
ell	100	-1	4.0	3.5
ic King	217	-5	10.9	5.0
ing	278	..	10.6	6.0
S. H'ons	150	..	10.6	7.1
ard	185	-7	4.4	2.5
gordon	92	+1	5.2	3.5
Distillers	144	-4	8.4	4.7
	83	-5	2.7	4.9
Newcastle	69½	+½	4.9	7.2
	113½	..	46.7	8.3
eries	80	..	6.2	10.5
	100	+2	6.1	4.1
	395	..	24.4	6.2
ead A	86	-1	5.6	6.5
B	86	-1	5.6	6.5
ead Inv	80	-3	5.7	7.1
Shannon	186	..	8.7	4.5

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

A — B

1977/78 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross Div pence	Yld %	P/E
122	77	AAH	116	+1	8.3	7.2	8.5
142	56	AB Electronic	104	..	7.8	7.3	7.2
38	25	AC Cars	38	..	1.5	3.8	9.5
89	32	AGB Research	84	..	3.5	4.1	13.9
229½	134	APV Hldgs	192	+4	8.1	4.1	7.8
71	43	Aaronson Bros	60	..	2.8	4.7	7.3
116	62	Arrow	114	..	3.6	3.2	13.0
95	52	Do A	83	+1	3.6	4.4	9.4
41	11	Addr Int	35½	+½	0.8	2.0	..
282	150	Adwest Group	250	+2	15.2	6.1	6.9
67	34	Aeron't & Gen	59	..	3.5	5.8	10.5
62	42	Airfix Ind	48	-½	4.6	9.5	6.3
131	73	Albright & W	97	..	8.5	8.7	6.3
96	68	Alcan 10½% ..	89½	..	1090	11.7	..
144	71	Do 9% Cnv	£143	..	900	6.3	..
300	205	Alginate Ind	291	..	19.7	6.8	10.5
55	44	Allen E. Balfour	55	..	6.8	11.7	..
56½	25½	Allen W. G.	54	..	4.3	7.9	8.0
100½	44½	Allied Colloids	98	• ..	3.4	3.5	12.0
67	43	Allied Insulators	64	+1	5.3	8.3	7.7
137	73	Allied Plant	134	-½	1.1	0.8	9.8
280	157	Allied Retailers	260	-2	13.3	5.0	9.6
46	19	Alpine Hldgs	39½	..	2.5	6.3	23.7
252	210	Amal Metal	247	..	21.5	7.7	5.4
138	57½	Amal Power	124	..	8.0	6.5	8.9
41	21	Amber Day	37½	-½	3.6	6.1	5.4
15	8	Amber Ind Hldgs	17	..	0.8a	4.4	2.8
69	41	Ancasr Chem	69	..	4.0	5.7	7.7
57½	24	Anderson Strain	46	..	3.8	8.3	6.2
90	48½	Anglia TV 'A'	84	..	6.3	7.5	6.3
540	390	Anglo Amer Ind	426	..	42.9	9.5	4.2
42	22	Ang Swiss Hldgs	34	..	..	..	..
65	41	Aquascutum 'A'	37	..	2.1	5.7	8.3
124	64½	Arlington Mtr	120	..	11.7	9.8	9.1
75	32	Armitage Shanks	72½	..	6.5	9.0	10.5
59	39	Armst Equip	57	+2	3.1	5.4	9.9
14	4	Asprey Grp Pf	10	..	0.0	12.0	..
354	224	Ass Biscuit	76	..	4.8	6.3	7.4
185	85	Ass Book	170	-1	8.1	3.5	7.5
78½	45	Ass Brit Food	69	+2	3.3	5.5	6.1
139	82	Ass Kaolin'r	129	+2	7.1	5.9	6.2
21	16	Ass Fisheries	21	..	1.9	9.0	12.9
22½	12	Ass Leisure	12	..	1.3	8.2	9.7
221	134	Ass Tel'ns 'A'	154	..	8.1	5.3	8.8
71	43	Ass Paper	51½	• ..	4.4	8.5	5.1
284	153	Ass Port Cement	179	+1	13.1	5.5	7.9
199	68½	Ass Tel 'A'	199	• ..	9.9	5.1	7.6
114	66	Astor	114	..	3.6	3.2	13.0
95	52	Do A	83	+1	3.6	4.4	9.4
98	52	Avana Grp	85	..	4.1	4.8	8.2
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205	74	Avon Rubber	194	+4	14.1	7.2	2.8
307	225	B.A.T. Ind	282	+6	20.1	7.5	4.5
230	201	Do Dfd	232	+2	..	..	..
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136	87	BICC	106	+3	10.0	9.5	12.6
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276	112	BPB Ind	238	-3	16.0	6.7	7.5
50	26	BPM Hldgs 'A'	47	..	4.9	9.2	6.3
65½	17½	BSG Int	38⅝	-½	3.2	8.0	6.6
151	86	BSR Ltd	93	+2	7.1	7.6	4.2
292	142½	BTR Ltd	228	+1	13.8	6.0	7.9
146	70	Babcock & W	113	..	8.0	7.0	4.9
38	21	Baggeridge Brk	33	..	3.5	10.7	10.2
5½	3	Bailey C.H. Ord	5	..	0.3	4.0	61.5
169	97	Baird W.	154	-4	14.1	9.1	5.8
113	63	Baker Perkins	95	..	4.3	4.6	5.7
52	29½	Bombergers	48	..	4.5	9.4	5.4
13	3½	Barker & Dobson	13	..	..	..	..
306	144	Barlow Band	185	..	16.5	8.9	3.8
74	39	Barr & Wallace	71	..	5.1	7.2	8.9
30	20	Do A	29	..	5.1	7.4	8.7
72	37	Barratt Devs	113	-3	13.2b	10.8	5.3
63	36	Barrow Hepbn	47	-2	5.6	11.9	6.3
58	30	Barton & Sons	50	..	5.0	9.9	4.7
68	34	Beales J.	66	-1	7.8	5.3	9.1
193	68	Beatson Clark	172	..	7.6	4.4	6.9
51	25½	Beauford Grp	50	..	4.6	9.2	6.5
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54	28	Bemrose Corp	53	+1	5.5	8.3	6.5
70	29½	Benn Bros	61	..	3.3	5.3	9.8
227	148½	Berisford S & W	213	..	17.5	8.9	3.6
51	31	Berisford's	52	..	3.5	6.7	8.5
41	21	Best & May	32	..	4.3	8.2	9.1
158	58½	Bestobell	158	-1	14.3	9.1	8.1
68	28	Bett Bros	67	• ..	2.6	3.9	7.3
211	103	Bibby J.	211	+2	10.1	4.8	6.8
74	54	Birmid Qualcst	67½	+2	6.2	9.2	9.2
66	50	Birm'gham Mint	66	..	6.6	10.0	7.1
198	148	Bishops Stores	170	-10	3.7	2.2	9.6
135	77	Do A NV	135	-10	3.7	2.7	7.6
114	66	Black & Edg'n	114	..	6.4	5.6	15.1
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245	122	Blandsn & N	232	-4	18.2	7.8	8.5
72	39	Blundell Perm	62½	• ..	4.4	7.0	6.1
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73	38	Bodycote	70	..	3.4	4.9	6.8
74	37	Bonser Eng	52	..	2.0	8.8	12.7
248	128	Booker McCon	212	+1	10.7	5.1	9.7
137	66½	Boots	126	-1	4.3	3.4	8.5
207	98	Bor & Sykes	207	-8	13.3	6.4	7.5
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206	115	Boots	206	-1	4.3	2.1	15.7
175	59	Carlton Ind	172	..	9.4	13.4	9.6
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No. 00301 of 1978

In the HIGH COURT of JUSTICE Chancery Division Companies Court In the Matter of KINGS COURT (REGENTS PARK) Limited and in the Matter of the Companies Act 1948.

Notice is hereby given that a PETITION for the WINDING UP of the above-named Company subject to the supervision of the High Court of Justice was on the 30th day of January 1978 presented to the said Court by Leslie Wainstead of 43 Museum Street London WC1A 1LY and that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Court sitting at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2A 2LL, on the 6th day of March 1978, and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an Order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing in person or by his Counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the Petition will be furnished by the undersigned to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring such copy on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

LESLIE WAINSTEAD M.A. (Cantab) Solicitor 43 Museum Street London WC1A 1LY

Note.—Any person who intends to appear on the hearing of the said Petition must serve on or send by post to the above-named, notice in writing of his intention so to do. The notice must state the name and address of the person, or, if a firm, the name and address of the firm, and must be signed by the person or firm, or his or their solicitor (if any), and must be served or, if posted, must be sent by post in sufficient time to reach the above-named not later than four o'clock in the afternoon of the 3rd day of March 1978.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of MACKENZIE HILL Limited Nature of Business: Property developers

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 31st October 1977

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 15th February 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 2.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock

N. SADDLER Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of A.R.M. TIMES (TRAVEL AGENCY) Limited T/A TIMES TRAVEL AGENCY Nature of Business: Travel agents

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th December 1977

DATE AND PLACE OF FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 17th February 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 2.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of GREAT LAKES & EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION Nature of Business: Shipping agents

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 10th January 1978

DATE AND PLACE OF FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 17th February 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

WEATHERSHIELD ALUMINIUM WINDOWS LIMITED

The Companies Act, 1948

I, PETER RICHARD COPP, Chartered Accountant of Messrs. Stoy, Hayward & Co., 54 Baker Street, London W1M 1DJ, give notice that I was appointed Liquidator in the above matter on the 10th January 1978. All debts and claims should be sent to me at the above address.

P. R. COPP, Liquidator.

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 008893 of 1977

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE Chancery Division In the Matter of DERRITRON Limited and in the Matter of The Companies Act 1948.

Notice is hereby given that a PETITION was on 1st December 1977 presented to Her Majesty's High Court of Justice for the CONFIRMATION of the CANCELLATION of the SHARE PREMIUM ACCOUNT of the above-named Company of £339,086.

And Notice is further given that the said Petition is directed to be heard before the Honourable Mr Justice Slade at the Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London, WC2, on Monday the 6th day of February 1978.

Any CREDITOR or SHAREHOLDER of the said Company desiring to oppose the making of an Order for the confirmation of the said cancellation of the Share Premium Account should appear at the time of hearing in person or by Counsel for that purpose.

A copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any such person requiring the same by the undermentioned Solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

Dated this 2nd day of February 1978.

TRAVERS SMITH, BRAITHWAITE & CO., 6-9 Snow Hill, London EC1A 2AL. Solicitors for the above-named Company.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of HEREFORD SAUNA COMPANY Limited Nature of Business: Slimming and Sauna Methods

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 14th November 1977

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 17th February 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of KARAVIAS (LONDON) Limited Nature of Business: Shipping agents

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 21st November 1977

DATE and PLACE of MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 15th February 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock

N. SADDLER Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of ALLAN HOWLETT AUTOMOBILES Limited. Nature of Business: Second-hand car dealers.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th December, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 16th February 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD, at 3.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of BRENROOK Limited. Nature of Business: Clothing Manufacturers.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 14th November, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 15th February 1978, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD, at 11.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 001379 of 1971

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of DEMAND INTERNATIONAL ROUTIERS Limited.

Notice is hereby given that a FIRST and FINAL Dividend to CREDITORS is intended to be declared in the above-named Company and that Creditors who have not already proved their claims are to come in and prove such claims on or before the 17th February 1978 after which date the Official Receiver and Liquidator of the above-named Company will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Company having regard only to such Creditors as shall then have proved their claims.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Liquidator, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD.

The Companies Act, 1948, In the Matter of CRAIGLADE Limited. Nature of Business: Motor spares dealers.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 21st November, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS, 15th February, 1978, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD, at 2.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES, on same day and at the same place at 2.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of R. & K. TURF ACCOUNTANTS Limited Nature of Business: Turf accountants

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE Monday the 21st day of November 1977

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 16th February 1978, at Room 239 Templar House 81 High Holborn London WC1V 6LP at 10.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES On the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock

L. R. BATES Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator

The Companies Act, 1948 In the matter of ROBINA Limited. Nature of Business: Dealers in domestic hardware and toiletries.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 14th November, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS, 16th February, 1978, at Room G20 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London. EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTIONS, on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of SWILLY CONSTRUCTIN CO. Limited. Nature of Business: Builders.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th December, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 15th February 1978, at Room G30, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD, at 3.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 3.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of AMEGA CLUB Limited Nature of Business: Night club proprietors

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 28th November 1977

DATE AND PLACE OF FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 16th February 1978, at Room G30 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

LEGAL NOTICES

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of ALCO HARDWARE Limited. Nature of Business: Dealers in domestic hardware and fancy goods.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th December, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS, 17th February, 1978, at Room 239, Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London WC1V 6LP, at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES, on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948. In the Matter of ARDRES Limited. Nature of Business: Builders and Bricklayers.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 28th November, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS, 16th February, 1978, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC16 2HD, at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES, on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948. In the Matter of EMLYN FINANCE Limited. Nature of Business: Moneylenders.

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th December, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS, 17th February, 1978, at Room G20, Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London EC1N 2HD, at 11 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES, on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the matter of TURLAND RECLAMATION Limited. Nature of Business: Land reclamation.

WINDING-UP ORDER made 21st November, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of first MEETINGS:

CREDITORS, 16 February, 1978, at Room G30 Atlantic House, Holborn Viaduct, London, EC1N 2HD at 11.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES, on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

N. SADDLER, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the matter of CEDAT (U.K.) Limited. Nature of Business: Industrial management and holding company.

WINDING-UP ORDER made Monday the 28th day of November, 1977.

DATE and PLACE of FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS, 16th February, 1978, at Room 239 Templar House, 81 High Holborn, London, WC1V 6LP at 11.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES, on the same day and at the same place at 11.30 o'clock.

L. R. BATES, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

The Companies Act, 1948 In the Matter of D. M. DRYSDALE (INSURANCE) Limited Nature of Business: Insurance agents and brokers

WINDING-UP ORDER MADE 5th December 1977

DATE AND PLACE OF FIRST MEETINGS:

CREDITORS 17th February 1978 at Room G20 Atlantic House Holborn Viaduct London EC1N 2HD at 10.00 o'clock.

CONTRIBUTORIES on the same day and at the same place at 10.30 o'clock.

H. W. J. CHRISTMAS, Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.

MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL

BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED

Notice is hereby given that the REGISTER OF HOLDERS of Ordinary Stock of the Company will be closed from 11th March 1978 to 5th April 1978 both dates inclusive.

D. H. JOHNSON, Secretary.

54 Lombard Street, London, E.C.3. 2nd February 1978.



—Stepping Stones—Non-Secretarial—Secretarial & General—Tempting Times—

NON-SECRETARIAL

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SECRETARY

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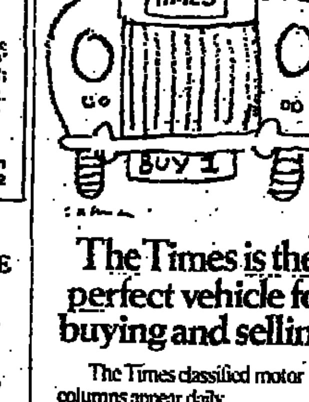
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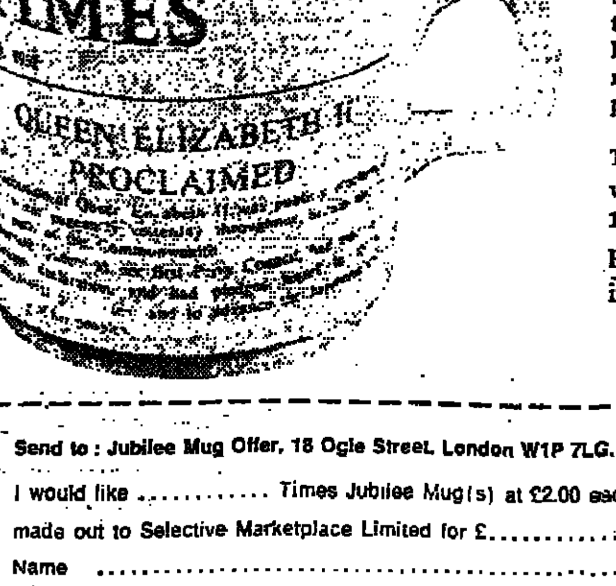
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...dge has been chosen partly ...sthetic appeal but there are ...enefits as well. Aerodynamic ...duced by 10 per cent, giving ...etter fuel economy and top ...formance and making the ...stable at speed and in cross ...

...er main improvement is to ...ore passenger and boot space ...e car without significantly ... the overall dimensions. The ...ks to the extra height at the ...fifth bigger and there is a ...e room inside. Accommoda...people and luggage is ade...not exceptional for a vehicle ...15 feet long.

...cally, the changes are mar...re is a new front axle using ...n struts, steering effort has ...ced and there is a smaller ...circle. Otherwise Opel has ...e and kept the basic layout ...vious model.

...nge comprises a four-door ...d an estate with a choice of ...l diesel engines. My test car ...erlina saloon, with the 1979cc ...t and the optional extra of ...lent General Motors three...omatic transmission which ...unobtrusively well that most ...e you take it for granted. ...tic does clip performance a ...h most drivers should find ...enough. The car accelerates ..., to 60 mph in around 13 ...d has a claimed top speed of ... the kickdown is available for ...rtaking. On fuel, I returned ...iles per gallon.

...engine is willing, it is also ...noisy when pressed hard and ...t on the motorway there is ...ness than might be expected ...-litre. Considering the car's ...ape, I was surprised by the ... wind noise and, unusually ...el, there were a number of ...d rattles.

The other serious criticism concerns the ride, which struck me as below standard for a car in this class with too much pitching and bumping when the surface turned rough. Perhaps Opel should not assume that all roads are as good as those in Germany. In fairness, the worst effects of the ride are mitigated by excellent seats, generously padded and offering good support to the back.

The handling is of a very high order and the Rekord can be driven hard with confidence. It corners almost neutrally, with little body roll, and sticks doggedly to the road. The steering may be a little heavy for parking (power assistance is available as an option) but it gets lighter with speed and the brakes respond to the merest dab.

Apart from the siting of the light switch on the dashboard where it is difficult to get at and partly obscured by the steering wheel, the cockpit layout is a model of clarity and convenience. A comprehensive heating and ventilation system gives several permutations of hot and cool air, though it was not easy to strike the right balance.

The Berlina costs £4,390, with automatic transmission an extra £365. It looks the part with an attractive velour seat trim and cut-pile carpet and the standard equipment includes a laminated windscreen, clock and lockable petrol cap. Although German cars tend to be more expensive than average, this *new Rekord lines up well against obvious competitors* like the Ford Granada, Leyland Princess, and Peugeot 504.

Roundabout politics

If you drive for any distance in Denmark it might occur to you that you rarely come across a roundabout. In fact, the roundabout has been almost eliminated as a matter of highway policy and replaced by traffic lights. The Danes feel that it is better from the safety point of view to have the unequivocal instructions which lights give.

It is an interesting point of view, for the British position is almost exactly the reverse. Where feasible, traffic-light-controlled junctions have been replaced by roundabout control, primarily as a means of promoting a freer flow of traffic. Nothing makes a traffic jam worse than continued stopping at lights.

The purest example of putting roundabout theory into practice is probably to be found in the new town of Stevenage in Hertfordshire. Here, Danish road engineers may be surprised to learn, there are no traffic lights and the vehicles are said to move freely at all times.

Whether roundabouts are ipso facto safer than traffic lights is harder to establish, though the introduction, back in 1966, of the "priority to the right" rule seems to have cleared up much of the confusion which the Danes refer to.

Some five years after the priority rule, the first "mini" roundabouts were introduced in Britain. As the name implies, they have a smaller central island than the conventional roundabout and can cope with a greater volume of traffic. Or, they can be used at junctions where the larger roundabout would not be possible.

A recent report by the Transport and Road Research Laboratory on the experience with mini roundabouts found that at junctions where they had replaced the conventional type, accidents involving fatal and serious injuries had doubled. It seems that motorists have been confused by the change, particularly as the mini roundabout has not always provided that degree of deflection from the straight line which forces a vehicle to reduce speed.

On the other hand, and this may be some sort of answer to the Danish theory, where mini roundabouts have been installed instead of traffic lights, fatal and serious accidents have fallen by 62 per cent.

Having driven quite a lot in Denmark recently, I think the essence of the matter is the much lighter volume of traffic there. It is possible to drive in Copenhagen between 8 am and 9 am with almost complete freedom and there is none of that congestion which in London has become an almost permanent condition.

If and when Denmark's traffic increases *to our level, I fear the Danes* may have to rethink their roundabout policy.

Automatically cheaper

From another part of Scandinavia comes encouraging news for owners of cars with automatic transmissions. The Swedish police have saved an estimated £262,000 a year on maintenance *costs—£114 per car—since switching* from manual to automatic boxes. The time spent at the garage has been reduced by one day per car each year.

It seems that the manual boxes previously used suffered frequent clutch failure after long periods of hard driving by police officers demanding maximum performance. The decision to replace manuals with automatics was taken just over 10 years ago and by 1973 the change had been introduced on 97 per cent of vehicles.

Mr Boerje Franson, of the Swedish police board, explained the reasons behind the switch. "Differences in manual and automatic performance figures were shown to be negligible in tests we carried out with Saab. Fuel consumption figures indicated only small disadvantages in certain types of driving.

"So we felt justified in going fully *automatic to minimize strain on* drivers. It is a pleasant surprise to find that we are also saving money".

Peter Waymark

...dcasting

The highlight of this year's Figure skating Championships for many British viewers will be whether Robin Cousins can improve enough on his last year's third place to take the gold medal.

Men of Ideas weighs the influence of the Frankfurt School of the '20s. Marcuse s'excuse, with an account of how he believes student violence and protest began.

Susanna Simons, fresh from newsgathering at LBC, brings that station's penetrating approach to Tonight with her report on animal's liberation.—I.R.R.

...n the Move. 12.45, Pebble Mill. 1.45, ...2.00-2.15, You and ...Play School. 4.20, ...Vitch. 4.25, Jack... Scooby Doo. 5.00, ... 5.05, Blue Peter. ...gton. ... 5.55, Nationwide. ...rrow's World. ...of the Pops. ...Good Life. ...s. ...ean Figure Skating ...pionships: ...ous: Everyone a ...al Kind of Artist— ...spare-time Glasgow ...r. ...ht. ...er.

...tions (BBC 1): ...1.45-2.00 pm, Bar... Crystal Tipps. 4.45/ ...n) Stori. 5.55-6.20, ... 6.45-7.10, Heddiw. ...55-6.20 pm, Report... NORTHERN IRE... ...55 pm, Northern Ire... 5.55-6.20, Scene ...11.05-11.45, I Didn't ...ed.

...s. 1.20 pm, Border ...Thames. 5.15, Lassie. ... 6.00, Lookaround. ...7.30, Mr and Mrs. ...rets of San Francisco. ...s. 10.30, Police ...0. Wish You Were ...Border News.

...s. 1.25 pm, Road ... Southern 2.25, ...l. Southern. 6.00, ...ay. 6.30, Garnock ...TV. 7.30, Charlie's ...ATV. 9.00, Thames. ...m were Here ? 11.00 ...15-12.35 am, Film: I, ...n Christopher Lee.

...s. 1.20 pm, Lunch... ...ames. 4.20, Big Blue ...Little House on the ...News. 6.00, Ulster ...s. 6.05, Crossroads. ... 7.00, ATV. 9.00, ...30, Counterpoint. ...our Language, 11.30, ...Here ?

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... 1.20 pm, Grampian ...es. 1.30, Thames. ...ian today. 6.35, ..., Columbo. 9.00, ... Reflections. 10.35, ...rnal Sports Persona... ...12.10 am, Baretta.

...s. 1.20 pm, West ...S. Wales Headlines. ...n. 2.25, Thames. ...ot. 4.20, Dynomutt. ...ne. 5.15, Cartoon. ... 6.00, Report West. ...Vales. 6.35, Best in ... Rising Damp. 7.35, ...15. Jazz Concert. ...n. Film: The Day of ...with Howard Keel, ...Kieron Moore. HTV ...S: As HTV except: ...Penawdau Newydd... ...4.20, Miri Mawr. ...ilbethna. 6.00-6.18, ...-7.05, Sport. HTV ...V except: 1.20-1.30 ...eadlines. 6.18-6.35,

BBC 2

11.00-11.25 am, Play School. 6.10 pm, Open University: The First Year of Life ; 6.35, Countdown to the OU.
7.00 News Headlines.
7.05 Your Move.
7.30 Newsday.
8.05 *Golf—the Miller Way.*
8.35 World of Difference. Two airline pilots from different generations compare notes.
9.00 One Man and his Dog.
9.35 Korean National Dance Company.
10.20 Men of Ideas, part 3 : Marcuse and the Frankfurt School.
11.05 News.
11.15-11.20, Bernard Hepton reads Snow in Southern England, by Ted Walker.

Granada

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, This Is Your Right. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Code R. 5.10, This Is Your Right. 5.15, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Granada Reports. 6.30, Emmerdale Farm. 7.00, Film. An Affair to Remember, with Cary Grant, Deborah Kerr. 9.00, Thames. 10.30, What's On. 11.00, What the Papers Say. *11.20-12.20 am, Police Woman.*

Anglia

12.00, Thames. 1.25 pm, Anglia News. 1.30, Southern. 2.25, Thames. 4.20, Waldo Kitty. 4.45, Solo One. 5.15, Emmerdale Farm. 5.45, News. 6.00, About Anglia. 6.20, Arena. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, Bygones. 7.30, ATV. 8.30, Bless this House (r). 9.00, Thames. 10.30, Police Woman. 11.30, Catch '77 (r). 12.00, The Entertainers, Jeremy Taylor. 12.30 am, The Living Word.

Yorkshire

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Calendar News. 1.30, Thames. 4.20, Look Out. 4.45, Run, Joe, Run. 5.15, Survival. 5.45, News. 6.00, Calendar. 6.35, ATV. 7.30, Rising Damp. 8.00, The Streets of San Francisco. 9.00, Thames. 10.30, Frankie Vaughan Show. 11.30, Wish You Were Here ? 12.00-12.30 am, Man and Woman.

Westward

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Westward News Headlines. 1.30, Thames. 5.15, Mr and Mrs. 5.45, News. 6.00, Westward Diary. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, Film: The Vikings, with Kirk Douglas, Tony Curtis, Janet Leigh, Ernest Borgnine, Alexander Knox. 9.00, Thames. 10.30, Westward Report. 11.00, Film: Can Ellen Be Saved ? with Leslie Nielsen, Louise Fletcher, Katy Cannon. 12.15 am, Faith for Life.

Channel

1.18 pm, Channel News. 1.30, Thames. 6.00, Channel News. 6.10, Fantastic voyage. 6.35, ATV. 7.00, Film: The Vikings. 9.00, Thames. 10.32, In Search of ... Inca Treasure. 11.00, Film: Can Ellen be Saved ? 12.15 am, News.

Tyne Tees

12.00, Thames. 1.20, North-east News. 1.30, Thames. 2.0, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 5.15, The Brady Bunch. 5.45, News. 6.0, Northern Life. 6.35, ATV. 7.30, Rising Damp. 8.0, Danger in Paradise. 9.0, Thames. 10.30, What's Fettle. 11.15, Rich Man, Poor Man. 12.15, Epilogue.

Thames

10.48-11.00 am, Help ! (r). 12.00, Animal Kwackers. 12.10 pm, Rainbow. 12.30, Make it Count (r). 1.00, News. 1.20, Help ! 1.30, Crown Court. 2.00, After Noon. 2.25, Shades of Greene (r). 3.20, Looks Familiar. 3.50, *The Sullivans.* 4.20, Little House on the Prairie. 5.15, Mr and Mrs.
5.45 News. 6.00, Thames at 6.
6.35 Crossroads.
7.00 Wish You Were Here . . . ?
7.30 Film: Lanigan's Rabbi, with Art Carney, Stuart Margolin.
9.00 George and Mildred (r).
9.30 This Week.
10.00 News.
10.30 Time for Business.
11.15 Kitchen Garden.
11.45 What the Papers Say.
12.00 Epilogue.
(r) Repeat.

ATV

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, ATV News. 1.30, Thames. 3.20, Beryl's Lot (r). 3.50, Houseparty. 4.20, Thames. 5.15, Happy Days. 5.45, News. 6.00, ATV Today. 6.35, Crossroads. 7.00, Emmerdale Farm. 7.30, The Bionic Woman. 8.30, Rising Damp (r). 9.00, Thames. 10.30, Police Woman. 11.30-12.00, Master Golf.

Southern

12.00, Thames. 1.20 pm, Southern News. 1.30, Crown Court. 2.00, Women Only. 2.25, Thames. 5.20, Crossroads. 5.45, News. 6.00, Day by Day. 6.30, University Challenge. 7.00, ATV. 7.30, Hawaii Five-O. 8.30, ATV. 9.00, Thames. 10.30, Elaine. 11.00, People Rule. 11.30, Southern News. 11.40, What the Papers Say. 12.00, Weather. Epilogue.

Radio

1

6.00 am, News; Ray Moore.† 7.02, Noel Edmonds. 9.00, *Simon Bates.* 11.31, Paul Burnett. 2.00 pm, Tony Blackburn. 4.31, Kid Jensen. 7.02, Country Club.† 9.02, Folkweave.† 9.55, Sports Desk. 10.02, John Peel.† 12.00-12.05 am, News.
† Stereo.

2

6.00 am, News. 6.02, Ray Moore.† 7.32, Terry Wogan.† (8.27, Racing bulletin.) 10.02, Jimmy Young.† 12.15 pm, Waggoners' Walk. 12.30, Pete Murray.† 2.30, David Hamilton.† 4.30, Waggoners' Walk. 4.45, Sports Desk. 4.47, John Dunn.† 6.45, Sport. 7.02, Radio 1. 10.02, Two by Two. 10.30, Star Sound. 11.02, Brian Matthew. 12.00, News.

3

6.55 am, Weather. 7.00, News. 7.05, Brahms, Kodaly.† 8.00, *News. 8.05, Zelenka, Mozart.*† 9.00, News. 9.05, Finzi and Moeran.† 9.55, Weber concert.† 10.55, BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra: Gluck, Haydn, Mozart.† 12.00, Mozart and Schumann Chamber Music.†

1.00 pm, News. 1.05, Manchester Midday Concert: Prokofiev, Beethoven. 2.00, Opera : Dialogues des Carmelites, by Francis Poulenc, Act 1.† 3.00, Words . . . ; 3.05 *Dialogues* des Carmelites: Act 2.† 3.55, In Short. 4.00, Dalogues des Carmelites : Act 2.† 4.50, Gemaniani.† 5.05, A Second Chance to Hear : Casken, Dennis, Sackman.† 5.45, Homeward Bound.† 6.05, News. 6.10, Homeward Bound. 6.30, What Right Have You Got ? 7.00, The Prisoners.

7.30, Halle Orchestra, part 1 : Berkeley, Blake.† 8.20, A Piece of the World Discovered. 8.35, Halle Orchestra, part 2: Tchaikovsky.† 9.25, Play: The Bargeman's Comfort, by Peter Tinniswood.† 10.15, Recent British Chamber Music: Orr, de Hoghton.† 10.45, Cantatas: Clereambault, Rameau.† 11.25, News. 11.30-11..5, Schubert Song.

4

6.15 am, News. 6.17, Farming. 6.35, Up to the Hour. 7.00, News. 7.10, Today 7.35, Up to the Hour. 8.00, News. 8.10, Today. 8.45, Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00, News. 9.05, Records. 10.00, News. 10.05, From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30, Service. 10.45, Story. 11.00, News. 11.05, Down Your Way. 11.45, Speaking for Myself. 12.00, News. 12.02 am, You and Yours. 12.27, The Burkiss Way. 12.55, Weather.

1.00, News. 1.30, The Archers. 1.45, Woman's Hour. 2.45, Listen with Mother. 3.00, News. 3.05, Play. 3.50, Jack De Manio. 4.35, Story: Harriet. 5.00, PM Reports. 5.40, Serendipity. 5.55, Weather.

6.00, News; 6.30, Top of the Form. 7.00, News. 7.05, The Archers. 7.20, Checkpoint. 7.45, The Night the East Coast Sank. 8.30, Ray Gosling. 8.45, Analysis: Whose Fingers in the Till ? 9.30, Today in Synod. 9.35, Kaleidoscope. 9.59, Weather. 10.00, News. 10.30, Any Answers ? 11.00, A Book at Bedtime: Troubles. 11.15, The Financial World Tonight. 11.30, Today in Parliament. 11.45, News. 12.03-12.06 am, Inshore forecast.



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BIRTHS

BOIZE.—On January 28th, at Redhill Hospital, to Nicolas and Eirdeven—a daughter (Lucy).

CHOVIL.—On 31st January, to Elizabeth (nee Pettiferrer) and Roger—a daughter (Tania Kate Marie), a sister for Lucy.

FAIRBAIRN.—On January 31st, at Cuckfield Hospital, Haywards Heath, to Carol (nee Bugler) and Michael—a daughter.

FIELD.—On January 30th, to Petajane (nee Clayden) and Christopher—a son (Toby William).

GARDNER.—On Feb 1st, to Sue (nee Messenger) and John—a son (Christopher William).

HILL.—On January 26th, to David and Chris (nee Wright)—a daughter (Katherine Harriet).

MEYRICK.—On February 1st, 1978, in Holland, to Nicholas and Caroline (of Norton, Chichester)—a son (Oliver Michael).

MORGAN.—On February 1st, to Helen and David—a son (John David Summers).

OATEN.—On January 28th, at Queen Mary's, Roehampton, to Elizabeth and Paul—a son (Mavis Benedict Kristian), a brother for Gabrielle.

POTT.—On 28th January, at Salisbury to Lucy (Kim) nee Grant and Brian—a daughter.

SANDFORD.—On 30th January, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, to Huguette and Peter—a son (Paul Charles Glen), half-brother to Giulia and Tania Bromley-Martin (Pauline).

THISTLETON-SMITH.—On 31st January, 1978, at Westminster Hospital, to Selina and David—a daughter—Katherine.

THOMSON.—On 25th January, to Andrew and Rosemary (nee Prichard)—a daughter (Anna Pauline).

WATES.—On 24th January, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, West London, to Susan (nee White) and Robert—a daughter.

WELSH.—On January 28th in Salisbury to Linda (nee Constant) and David—a son (James Bertram).

MARRIAGES

DIAMOND WEDDING

BARNES : CHAMBERS.—On February 2nd, 1918, Lieut. Francis Harold Barnes, 4th Bn. The Queens (R.W.S.) Regiment, to Phyllis Louise Chambers. Present address: 30 Saffrons Court, Compton Place Road, Eastbourne, BN21 1DX.

DEATHS

ASHTON.—On January 31st in a Bognor Regis nursing home, Commander J. H. Ashton, late of St. Leonards, Sussex. Cremation at Chichester, Friday, February 3rd at 4 p.m. No flowers, please.

BARROWMAN, DR. BARCLAY.—On January 31st, 1978, after a long illness in Potters Bar Hospital. Funeral at Enfield Crematorium, 10.45 a.m., Tuesday, February 7th. Flowers to C. A. Nethercott, 130 Drakes Lane, Potters Bar.

BRIGGS.—On January 31st, 1978, peacefully after a courageous fight, Arthur John Briggs, B.A., M.B., B.Ch., only son of Emily, adored husband of Joan, devoted and respected father of Wendy Morris, Heather McLaren and Cherry. Funeral at Chalfont St. Giles Parish Church on Tuesday, 7th February at 11 a.m. followed by cremation. Family flowers only. Donations to Cancer Research would be appreciated.

BUTLER. John (Jack) Dorrian, aged 65 years, of 121 Hampton Lane, Solihull, passed away suddenly, Monday, 30th January, 1978. Beloved husband of Ivy, devoted father of Pat, David, Christopher and Richard, and loving grandfather of Lynne, Tracey, Adam, Ruth and Victoria. Service at St. James Church, Stratford Road, Shirley, Solihull, on Friday, February 3rd, at 11.45 a.m. followed by cremation at Robin Hood Crematorium. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Shirley Rotary Club Charities, c/o The Hon. Sec. Rotarian Charles Timms, 43 Trittiford Rd., Hall Green, Birmingham B28 0RT.

CAMPKIN.—On January 28th, 1978, at Basildon Hospital, John, Master Mariner, retired, aged 55, dearly loved and respected by his family and friends. Funeral at Chelmsford Crematorium, on Friday, 3rd February, at 3.00 p.m. Family flowers to F. E. Farrow, 33 High St., Billericay, or donations if desired, to cancer research.

CHURCHILL.—On 29th January, 1978, very peacefully at the Ivy Hall Nursing Home, Crowborough, Sussex, Winifred Greville Churchill, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., in her 89th year, widow of Dr. Melville Churchill and Prebendary T. W. Gilbert, D.D. Service at 3.30 p.m. on Friday, 3rd February, at St. Alban's Church, Frant. No flowers, please, but donations to Wildmay Hospital Convalescent Home, Wordsworth Rd., Worthing, Sussex.

CLAY.—On January 31st, Sir Charles Travis Clay, C.B., F.B.A. Funeral, St. John's Church, Little Tew, 2.15 p.m., Saturday, February 4th. No memorial service or flowers by his request.

CURRY.—On Monday, 30th January, 1978, at his home, Keeper's Cottage, Barcombe Cross, Sussex, Leslie William Curry, husband of Vida, father of Bruce and Andrew. Cremation at Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth, on Friday, 3rd February at 12.30 p.m.

DEAN.—On 27th January, 1978, Nelly Frances Jane, wife of the late Dr. Thomas Dean, suddenly at her home, Cornerways, Helston. No flowers, please, but if desired, donations to the British Heart Foundation. Enquiries to her family, Helston 2832.

DIXON.—On January 31st, 1978, peacefully at Crowborough, John Wolryche (Pop) Dixon, father of Michael and Richard. No flowers. Family cremation.

DREY, JEREMY, aged 23, dear son of David Drey and Joy Hoskins and of step-mother Gill and much loved brother to Caroline, David and William. Most bravely drowned in the Thames about 28th January, 1978. Service at Putney Vale Cemetery on Tuesday, February 7th at 2.45 p.m. Family flowers only.

FAIR.—On January 31st, Robert William, O.B.E., of Tetherstones, Upper Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, peacefully at Hereford County Hospital. So dearly loved.

FAIRFIELD.—On Wednesday, February 1st, Dr Letitia Fairfield, C.B.E., eldest daughter of Charles and Isabella Fairfield, in hospital, in London, after a long illness, aged 92. Funeral arrangements later.

FISHER.—On 23th January, 1978, Greta Wray Augusta, at her home, Madge Hole Farm, Shamley Green, Surrey. Service at Guildford Crematorium on Monday, 6th February, at 3.00 p.m. Flowers may be sent to Madge Hole Farm.

FONTAINE.—On Sunday, 29th January, 1978, Edward Albert, dearly beloved son of Ellen and Albert, and brother of Peggy. Funeral at Putney Vale on Monday, February 6th, at 12.15. "This my son was dead, and is alive again."

FONTAINE.—On Sunday, 29th January, after an illness of some months, Edward, aged 41, at Charing Cross Hospital, dearly loved husband of Christine and father of Claire, Fleur and Guy. Cremation at Putney Vale Crematorium on Monday, 6th February, at 12.15 p.m. If wished, flowers to R.A.C.S., 89 High St., New Malden, by 10.30 a.m., or donations to The Ted Lansdune Cancer Fund, Midland Bank, 12 Kingston Hill, Surrey KT2 7NL.

FREAK.—On January 26th, 1978, peacefully, in a Parkstone, Dorset, nursing home, Ida, formerly of Victoria Ave., Swanage, beloved wife of the late Gilbert A. Freak. Cremation at Bournemouth Crematorium, on Monday, February 6th, at 3.45 p.m. Enquiries to Tapper Funeral Service, 54 Parkstone Rd., Poole, 3164.

GRAY.—On 28th January, at Eggleston Sir William Gray Bt., aged 82, beloved husband of Beryl and father of Nick. Memorial service at 3 p.m. on Thursday 9th February at Eggleston Parish Church. Funeral was private. Donations to Sir Timothy Kitson, St. John of God Hospital, Scorton, Richmond, North Yorkshire.

GARNSEY.—On 31st January at Tilford, Farnham, Surrey, Julia Cornelius Garnsey, widow of J. E. Garnsey, formerly of Princeton, New Jersey, U.S.A., beloved mother of Juliet Thorne of 9 Scarsdale Villas, Kensington, London, W.8. Cremation will take place at Aldershot Crematorium at 3.30 p.m. on Monday, 6th February. By her request, no flowers please. A memorial service will be held at St. Brelade's Church, Jersey, at a later date.

HARKINS.—On Monday, January 2nd, 1978, peacefully at her home, "Chalice", Newburyport, Massachusetts, U.S.A., Mrs Montgomery S. Harkins (Harriet Moseley), wife of Montgomery S. Harkins, sister of Charlotte Moseley Ober and Helen Carpenter Moseley and the late Frederick S. Moseley Jr. Also survived by 2 nephews, Frederick S. Moseley III and James B. Moseley, both of Hamilton, Massachusetts, and 2 nieces, Mrs. Charles Goodwin III of Baltimore, Maryland and Mrs Harden L. Crawford III of Gladstone, New Jersey. Lived partly in England where she cherished her friends. Dearly loved and remembered by all who knew her, particularly by Lord Ebury and his brother, The Honourable Victor Grosvenor, who shared her home in Boston during the Second World War, forming a close tie between the two families in America and England.

HEDLEY-DENT.—On January 31st, peacefully at home after a long illness courageously borne, Renée, beloved wife of Billy and much loved mother, mother-in-law, grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral private. No letters. Donations, if desired, to Red Cross or N.S.P.C.C.

HEWLETT.—On February 1st, after a stroke, Patricia Ann (nee Bell) of Quarry Cottage, Passfield, near Liphook, wife of Tony and mother of Tim. Funeral All Saints, Headley Bordon, 2.30 p.m., Monday, February 6th. Flowers to Gould and Chapman, Grayshott.

HORNUNG.—On 1st February, at home, in her 87th year, Olive Aileen, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel Bernard Hornung, of Ivorys, Cowfold, Horsham, West Sussex. Funeral at St. George's Church, West Grinstead, nr. Horsham, on Monday, 6th February, at 2.30 p.m. Flowers to Freeman Bros., 9 North Parade, Horsham, W. Sussex, by 12 noon.

HYSLOP.—On December 17th, peacefully in his sleep in Nairobi, Graham Holden, aged 67 years, brother of the late Canon Gordon Hyslop, brother-in-law of Joan, 2 Devonshire Close, Amersham, Bucks. Service of Thanksgiving and interment of ashes at Halton Village Church, near Wendover, Bucks., on February 10 at 2.30 p.m. No flowers, but donations, if desired, to the Graham Hyslop Music Trust Fund, c/o Barclays Bank, Marble Arch.

ISRAEL, ALFRED, peacefully, 31st January, 1978, dearly beloved husband of Erna, father of Ginia and grandfather of Miriam. Funeral, cremation, Golders Green, Friday, 3rd, at noon.

KARPELES-SCHENKER, MANCI (Margit Angerer), most dearly loved wife of Stephan, peacefully at her home on 31st January. Funeral private.

LEVER.—On January 27th, 1978, peacefully at home, Joyce, of Bromley, Kent. Cremation at Beckenham Crematorium, Thursday, Feb. 2nd, at 10.40 a.m. Flowers may be sent to Peyrkes, 36 Park Road, Bromley.

LEWIS.—On 1st February, 1978, peacefully, Florence Violet Elizabeth, in her 83rd year. Funeral service at St. Katherines House, Wantage, on Friday, 3rd February, at 1.30 p.m.

MORGAN.—On January 30th, Louis Egan Babington (Bustl), aged 73, beloved husband of Arabella of Bartrum, Mountfield, Robertsbridge. Cremation private.

PARTRIDGE. — On January 31st, suddenly at his home, Caldicott Farm, Broadoak, Hereford, Jim, beloved husband of Ruth and father of Philip and Louise. Funeral service 2 p.m. on Friday, February 3rd at St. Weonard's Church, followed by private burial at Llandewi Skirrid. No flowers please. Donations for the British Heart Foundation will be greatly appreciated and may be sent to the Manager, National Westminster Bank Ltd., 12 Broad Street, Hereford.

RAY.—On 31st January Theodosia, peacefully in St. Andrews Hospital, Northampton. Funeral at Milton Crematorium at 3 p.m. on Monday, 6th February. Flowers to Bonhams Funeral Directors, St. Anne's Street, Northampton.

REYNOLDS.—On 31st January, very peacefully, Constance Evelyn, widow of Lieutenant-Colonel A. J. Reynolds, late Hodsons Horse, in her 93rd year. Funeral Sparsholt Parish Church, near Winchester, Saturday, 11.30 a.m., 4th February.

ROBINSON.—Jan. 31st, 1978, Betty (nee Baber), dear wife of the late Sir M. Arnet Robinson and fond mother of Diana, Roger and Nigel, of Hoylake. Service at St. Hildeburgh's Church, Hoylake, on Monday, February 6th at 1.45 p.m., followed by private cremation. No flowers, please.

ROSE.—On January 31st, Marjorie Sarah Rose, dear wife of David Rose, Pond House, Stewkley, Buckinghamshire, peacefully. Service Parish Church Stewkley, 12 midday, Saturday 4th of February.

SCHOFIELD. — On 30th January, Riley Schofield, in hospital after a short illness. He is to be remembered for his work as Borough Engineer of Mitcham, where he officiated between 1925 and 1960. The memorial service is to be held at St. Giles, Stoke Poges, at 3.15 p.m., on Monday, 6th February.

SUFFERN. — On Sunday 29th January, 1978, peacefully, aged 85, Canning Suffern, M.B., R.N.V.R., R.A.F.V.R., formerly of Hook Cottage, Warsash, son of the late Alexander Canning Suffern, M.D., O.B.E., and the late Emily Maud Suffern, a widely loved uncle and brother to Aileen Whitfield, and to Kathleen M. Disney, Flat A, Headbourne Worthy House, Winchester.

THOMPSON. — On January 30th, 1978, peacefully, after a short illness, Rev Canon Arthur Donald Thompson, aged 84, lately Vicar of Walberswick and Blythburgh. Funeral service Saturday, February 4th, 12 a.m., at St. Andrew's Church, Walberswick. No flowers please, but donations may be sent to Blythburgh Church Restoration Fund at the Vicarage, Walberswick, Suffolk.

TURNER.—On January 31, at his home, Alderton, Gloucestershire, James S. Turner (Jock), aged 79 years, late of Wanstead, London, E.11. Funeral service at Cheltenham Crematorium Chapel on Friday, February 3rd at 11 a.m. Flowers and enquiries to Selim Smith & Co., 73 Prestbury Road, Cheltenham, 25383.

WARDLE.—On February 1st, 1978, Noel Frederick Darlington, at St. Andrew's Hospital, Chippenham, formerly of Dorset Cottage, Midford. Funeral service at Haycombe Crematorium, Bath, on Monday, 6th February, at 3.20 p.m. No flowers.

WATTS.—On 30th January 1978, Mrs. Ethel Maud Watts, widow of Humphrey Watts, serenely in her 89th year at The Grange, Bacton, Suffolk. Requiem Mass, 12 noon, Monday 6th February at University Chaplaincy, Harrisons Road, Birmingham 15, followed by burial at Blackmore Park, Hanley Swan, near Malvern.

WILLIAMS, EVELYN OLIVE. Born 20th December, 1907, Ireland. Died 19th January, 1978, London. Requiem Mass at 10.00 a.m. Friday, February 3, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Maresfield Gardens, N.W.3. Cremation Golders Green 10.50 a.m. Flowers to Leverton & Sons Ltd., 212 Eversholt St., N.W.1, by 5 p.m. Thursday.

WOOD.—On January 30th, Evelyn Clare, aged 84 years, of 3 Princess Avenue, Muswell Hill, last surviving daughter of William Pigot Wood, of Hornsey. Funeral service at Golders Green Crematorium, on Monday, 6th February, at 3.50 p.m. Family flowers only, please.

YEOMANS.—On 30th January, in Chipping Norton Hospital, Madeline Mary, after a short illness, aged 82 yrs. Cremation at Oxford Crematorium 2.15 p.m., today Thursday, February 2nd.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

ABRAHAMS.—A memorial service for Harold Maurice Abrahams will be held at St. Bride's Church (off Fleet Street), London, E.C.4, at 12.30 p.m. on Monday, February 20.

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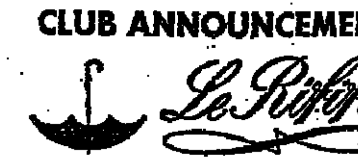
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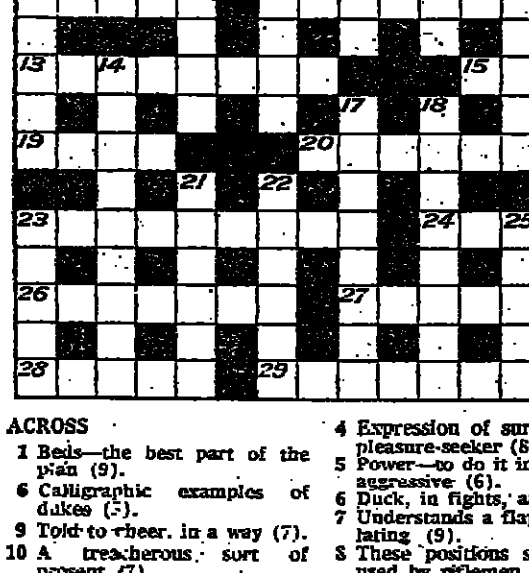
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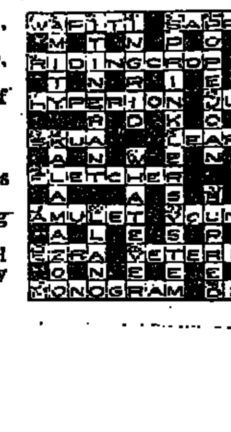
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1 Beds—the best part of the plan (9).
6 Calligraphic examples of dukes (5).
9 Told to cheer, in a way (7).
10 A treacherous sort of present (7).
11 Herb's age, we hear (5).
12 Jeers at confounded old clobber (9).
13 Oddly enough she appears the country's Venus (8).
15 Ducks—they may be lucky (4).
19 Like the head of Kipling's female when most deadly? (4).
20 Fable of a game in disorder (8).
23 Troubled one with no car—and that's very hard (9).
24 Four-cornered globe (5).
26 Conditions require soft illumination (7).
27 He puts up, by direction, with the parson (7).
28 Beat soundly with cane, yielding this (5).
29 Die-hards on the subject of hospital workers (9).

DOWN

1 Crests—the rocky expanses (9).
2 Revive the mass-meeting (5).
3 Picketed—what did I tell you with Teddy boy around? (8).
4 Expression of surprise re a pleasure-seeker (8).
5 Power—to do it in would be aggressive (6).
6 Duck, in fights, attacks (6).
7 Understands a flapper vacillating (9).
8 These positions said to be used by riflemen (5).
14 The flow of learning (9).
16 Yuletide night-watchers (9).
17 Used on nuts—or by them in the works? (8).
18 Dim—not like the crossword (8).
21 US rodent in the Ark? So we're told (6).
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